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Left, L.L. Bean at age 3 with his mother, Sarah Swett Bean. Right, the farmhouse on Howe Hill Road where he is believed to have been born.

#### L.L. Bean's birthplace in Greenwood, 'a town that no longer exists' the first place the name 'L.L. Mills' mission at the time children, of which Leon Leon- the house, with the boys all

2012 marks the 100th anni- Bean' ever appeared - the estone and remembers its founder, so too may several Oxford County towns in which Leon Leonwood Bean lived as a youth.

Much of the information about his early years is sketchy, but local historians have done their best to piece it together.

The disappearing town When Bean died in 1967, a newspaper article noted the opening sentence that had ap-

It read: "Greenwood, Maine, a small upper-Oxford town

peared of his autobiography. West Paris. that no longer exists, was

versary of L.L. Bean Inc. As town clerk put it on my birth from her about the Cummings Mills asked Bailey if she had used to play on that big boulthe company observes the certificate on October 13, family.

> "We got quite a chuckle out of that," said Blaine Mills, president of the Greenwood

Historical Society. As fuzzy as Bean may have been about the existence of his birth town, equally fuzzy was the Historical Society on exactly where Bean had come into the world - until the ear-

pened to interview Florence Cummings Bailey, Bean's niece and a resident of the Ledgeview Nursing Home in was to gather information wood was the fourth.

any idea where in Greenwood der.' "At the end of the interview, he had been born. "He mailed all over the world.

I think it was because the Post Office was 'Locke Mills,' and he figured there was no longer a Greenwood."

BLAINE MILLS, Greenwood Historian

That was when Mills hap- I said, "You were L.L. Bean's pened to interview Florence niece," recalls Mills. "She Cummings Bailey, Bean's said, 'Yes, I am. My mother [Inez] was his only sister."

Bean's parents, Benjamin and Mary Swett Bean, had six this huge boulder, right near

"She said, 'Yes, he was born on Howe Hill.' I said, 'Do you know where on Howe Hill?' She said, 'No. All I can tell you is my mother had a picture of on the boulder.' She said they

Leon was about 2 when the family moved from Howe Hill into Locke's Mills village. Benjamin, a carpenter, built

the Mt. Abram Hotel there, and the family operated it and lived in it. (The building, now gone, was located across from the former Round Pond Store).

"Florence told the story that they decided to put a root cellar underneath the hotel, after they built it," said Mills. "It was ledgy, and they had to do some blasting. They told Inez it was her job to get Leon up

side every time they got ready to blast, because they were afraid a rock might come up Bailey also remembered that through the floor.'

Because Bailey was in poor health and tired from the Cummings interview, Mills got very little more information on Bean.

But he set out to try to find out what house Bean had been

"After I interviewed Florence, I went down to South Paris and researched at the Registry of Deeds, and found that Benjamin Bean owned four or five parcels of land on Howe Hill.

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### Little Rhody native takes selectman's seat in Upton

Upton residents last week elected Bob Pepler to fill out the two years remaining on a vacated selectmen's seat.

About two dozen people turned out for the one-of-akind December annual town meeting.

The meeting marks a transition to a new format that will see such meetings take place in June.

Pepler was elected unopposed. Ahead of the meeting, town officials had had no indication that anyone had interest in the position, which was left vacant when Norm Mercier resigned in the fall. Pepler is the proprietor of the Upton House Inn, which

opened last year. He has lived in town for four years, and has been serving on the Planning Board. A native of Rhode Island, Pepler worked for UPS in that state for 31 years. He said he began coming to the Upton area in the early 1990s to snowmo-

Pepler said he agreed to be a candidate for selectman after no one else expressed in-

Other articles The other 17 articles on the warrant were approved, with one amendment.

A standard annual article

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#### MHS becomes 'Maine Adaptive Sports and ly approved at a MHS board and do the whole crossover to By MICHAEL DANIELS

This ski season Maine Handicapped Skiing celebrates 30 years of helping and encour-aging physically challenged people to enjoy the out of doors, both on-slope and off. It also marks the last in

which the organization will be doing so under that name. MHS is "rebranding" as Maine Adaptive Sports and Recreation — a name that better reflects the diverse communities and interests now served by its staff and volun-

The new name was formal-

meeting last month. "We've had tremendous

growth in the number of yearround activities we offer like cycling, paddle sports, golf and fishing, along with our 30year focus on skiing," Board Chairman Ed Simmons said.

"These year-round sports and recreation programs reflect participants' interests all over the state and have become vital parts of fulfilling our organization's mission." Outreach Director Eric Top-

per said the organization plans "to roll the name out

the new brand over the course of the season, and do a public celebration and launch at the Ski-A-Thon, on Saturday, March 24.

"That allows us to celebrate the 30th anniversary of Maine Handicapped Skiing, without evacuating that brand entire-

"There's a lot of deep emotion wrapped up in the name "Maine Handicapped Skiing," Topper said, but there has also been "a tremendous amount of energy around change."

The organization's fall newsletter describes the change as "the result of a long and thoughtful process that really began many years ago, but was put on hold for five years, and then revisited over the

past year. "A change was viewed as necessary due to the objections of many of our participants and other stakeholders to the word 'handicapped' and the limitations of the word skiing as we expand into other sports and activities."

That expansion has included other on-snow activities in the

winter, including snowboarding, nordic skiing and snowshoeing.

Recreation'

Summer activities now include cycling, paddling (canoe and kayak) and golf, Topper said, and last year fishing was piloted.

"We've been doing summer programs free of charge, for over a hundred people with disabilities for 10 years,' he said, "but with the name 'Maine Handicapped Skiing' those programs were always sort of an 'other"

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people will recycle if the pro-

cess is easier. Although a

town or organization does not

make as much money on the

recyclables, he said, the de-

cline is offset by the increase

Largess asked selectmen

Wendy Hanscom and Gary

Wight if they would support

#### Newry eyes single-stream recycling at Sunday stream, he said, is that more

Newry selectmen said Tuesday they were open to discussion of the possible implementation of single-stream recycling at Sunday River Ski Resort, utilizing the offer of a free compactor.

The subject arose after Chair-Woodstock Town Manager Vern Maxfield floated the idea to him in a recent conversa-

Single-stream recycling involves collecting all recycla-

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bles initially in one container, and sorting them later at a special recycling facility.

Newry and Woodstock, like several other towns in the area, are members of Oxford County Solid Waste and Recycling Corp., based in South Paris. OCSWR handles recyman Jim Largess said that cling for the towns, Largess and Maxfield are members of a "Work Group," a subgroup that is studying long-term options for OCSWR.

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learned that Pine Tree Waste, which hauls trash for the Tri-Town Transfer Station, had offered a compactor for free to the station.

Newry shares the station with Bethel and Hanover.

The station would need to proide a concrete pad on which to place the compactor, electricity to operate it, and maintenance, according to town officials.

The Newry selectmen said Tri-Town offer then they supported the idea.

Last month Newry selectmen The Tri-Town Solid Waste

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Committee, which oversees the station, has not at this point formally considered or voted on the compactor offer, according to Newry Town Administrator Loretta Powers. Largess said if Tri-Town is not

interested, Newry could request the compactor be placed at Sunday River, to be used as part of a single stream recycling process. "It might reduce the waste

stream," said Largess, which would benefit all concerned. The theory behind singleraising the subject Monday at a Work Group meeting. "If you're just asking if we See NEWRY, Page 5 Index

in volume.

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#### PERMITS WORTH INCONVENIENCE

To the Editor:

Jim Sysko's letter to the editor last week referred to the Town of Newry's auditor and selectmen being concerned about tax dollars "being left on the table." He questioned, "Who's money is left on the table?," saying it was taxpayers' money. He's right; it is taxpayers' money, including his.

It has never been the goal of the town of Newry to squeeze as many dollars from its citizen as it can. It is the town's goal, however, to make sure that all citizens and property owners are taxed fairly.

It is admirable that the citizens at last month's meeting are comfortable with allowing their neighbors and the town's second homeowners to make untaxed improvements to their homes up to the amount of \$25,000.

For example, if a homeowner spends \$24,000 turning an unfinished basement into livable space, without a building permit these improvements would not be picked for taxation up until the town did a revaluation, which is typically every 10 years

Newry's mil rate last year was 9.05. So for 2011 that would raise roughly \$220 for the town coffers and ten times or more as much over 10 years.

If Newry voters only want to see the playing field leveled every 10 years or so, that's fine. But I'd rather see everybody pay

If that means inconveniencing homeowners who are replacing a roof or upgrading siding which probably won't affect their tax bill by asking them to get a building permit, I think it's worth the tradeoff.

Wendy Hanscom Newry Selectman

#### MEET THESE AMAZING ATHLETES

To the Editor:

On Saturday, Jan. 7 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. female cross-country skiing athletes who are competing in the U.S. National Championships in Rumford will be in Bethel at the Gould field house for the "Fast and Female" event. This event is for girls ages 9 to 19 who would like the chance to meet these amazing athletes and hear their inspirational stories. The afternoon will include some team-building activities, stories from the athletes, snacks, autographs and a Zumba class with Bethel's own Patti Truman. If you have a daughter(s) who would like to participate, you can register her at http://ffjan7bethel.eventbrite.com/. The cost of the event is \$7. We really encourage any young female athletes in the area to participate. She does not have to be a Nordic skier to enjoy this event!

We also encourage parents or coaches to attend the event because in conjunction with the main event, there will be a parent seminar from 1 to 3 p.m. From 1 to 2 p.m. the topic will be "Coaching Female Athletes" and will include a panel discussion with Becky Woods (Bates College Head Nordic Ski Coach), Tracey Cote (Colby College Head Nordic Ski Coach and Athletic Director), and Cami Thompson Graves (Dartmouth College Head Nordic Ski Coach). From 2 to 3 p.m. Dick Taylor (former Olympian, US Ski Team Coach, Gould Academy Coach and current author) will talk about "Charting Progress in Young Athletes." The seminar is free, but we ask that parents register online at the Fast and Female site.

As an added bonus, the Bethel Inn Nordic Center has offered \$8 ski passes to any participants and their families for the day. We really hope that young female athletes in this area and their parents/coaches will be able to join us for this day of fun, exercise and learning!

Sarah Southam Bethel Outing Club

#### A PERFECT DAY

"Christmas in Andover' on Dec. 10 in my opinion was truly

The whole town was full of crafters. They were set up at the fire station, town hall and the church. All locations were full of crafters and shoppers from everywhere.

The town common was decorated with wreaths with bows and ·lit beautifully with lights.

People walked from place to place, and on the way could visit the General Store. The Little Red Hen Restaurant and even the

Just when you thought it could not look any more like a Cur-

rier and Ives photo. Santa Claus came to town. He stopped in at the fire station to get requests for Christmas from all the children and some

It was a perfect day!

Paula Lee Andover

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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#### RESPONSE TO REFUGE MANAGER'S COMMENTS

To the Editor:

It was interesting to read the comments that Paul Casey, manager of the Umbagog Wildlife Refuge made concerning my petition. I would like to respond to some of his comments.

1. Amount of taxable land in Errol and surrounding communities: The Feds pay no property tax in a state with no income or sales tax. Our property taxes run our schools and municipalities along with a state property tax. Mr. Casey mentioned the town forest of 7,000 acres. We get no property taxes from that land, but it is being paid for by sustainable logging and when paid off will provide an annual income that will far exceed what we would get from taxes and timber tax receipts. Plus it will provide recreation that is governed by us under state regulations, not the feds. As far as timber taxes on federal land, that was introduced two weeks ago at a selectmen's meeting in response to my petition. According to Paul Casey, our refuge is the first and only refuge paying timber tax. However, it will be paid by the logger, who will bill the Feds using our tax money to cover it. It is a tax we taxpayers are paying. Mr. Casey, did you forget where the money comes from? Will the county get timber tax revenue? Also, the refuge isn't in the business of sustainable logging, they are in the business of preservation. Remember that when land is rendered nontaxable, the county suffers too. That leads to higher county taxes. That is hitting Coos County very hard right now with so much county land nontaxable.

2. As far as land purchases go, the Feds can outbid any private citizen and Mr. Casey knows it, I received an e-mail from people who were trying to buy property when the Feds stepped in and outbid them. Had they bought that property, we would be getting taxes from it. Not now. And his comment on local input is a joke. He made a comment at the last selectmen's meeting that proves that. I am waiting for the minutes of the meeting until I publish it. Everyone in this area knows that all the meetings have been just lip service. We were given three scenarios at the last meeting on the expansion of the refuge. Errol residents overwhelmingly chose to keep it at the level it was then, protecting only the lake shoreline, not the tops of mountains, all along Route 26 and Route

3. As far as clearcuts go, I stand by my petition that they are a direct result of the Feds paying huge money for land, no matter what happens to it. If you are a landowner and the Feds are willing to pay you huge amounts of money even after you totally strip it, this is what happens. Paul Casey's comment that the clearcuts will grow back is right, but see if it will ever be logged again. I talked with foresters who think that is a joke. The Feds are only logging 12 acres this year. One of their people said they are thinking of logging 300 acres in the future. Just thinking, not sure.

4. Mr. Casey did acknowledge the restrictions. He forgot to mention no berry picking on the refuge, no dog training, no turkey hunting even though New Hampshire Fish and Game is the reason they even have turkeys there, no target shooting in gravel pits, and if you live in Maine, no bobcat hunting. The orange rule makes sense in deer season, but when it is in the dead of winter and I am rabbit hunting it is kind of comical when I am the only one out there. The lack of hunters along with the money they bring to this area is a testament to those restrictions along with nitpicking law enforcement, even when the warden is outside the refuge.

5. As far as snowmachine trails go, my information came from the snowmachine association that threatened Paul Casey with an injunction. He knows in 11 to 12 years the current plan expires and with it the agreement to keep existing trails open. Then we will see if he remembers what he said in his response. He makes the rules and has already closed one trail on Route 26 when he bought a piece of land thereby preventing several camp owners from reaching a main

6. On the issue of construction equipment. Mr. Casey is being plain deceitful. He had two John Deere tractors and another junk piece of equipment brought up from Virginia. He keeps them in an enclosure for 3 years, knowing they are useless, and we taxpayers buy him new ones. Legal, but is it ethical? He has some awfully big equipment for his small maintenance projects, and a huge fully-equipped garage that any contractor would kill for. Of course I can see where he would need an excavator or bulldozer to destroy the camps and homes and other things he buys in order to bury them. Any demolition should be done by private contractors. They are the ones losing out with the loss of tax base, camps and homes being destroyed and people moving on..

One issue Paul Casey won't touch is that, with this beast he calls a refuge, the little town of Errol has lost \$2,500,000 of valuation and with that loss our taxes are skyrocketing, putting our little school in jeopardy of closing. If our school closes, my little 5-year-old granddaughter will be bused over 20 miles to school, either down the Androscoggin River on bad roads or through Dixville Notch, again over bad roads. Couple that with winter weather, leaving for school very early, and getting home late, and you can see why I am fighting this Federal takeover of the North Country. Let's face it, no town can survive when its valuation is destroyed and eliminated. In addition, I see no benefit to our Federal government giving Paul Casey millions of dollars to buy land, build beautiful office buildings, buy all kinds of construction equipment, paying him and others salaries with benefits most of us can only dream about, all while our country suffers with over a 15 trillion dollar debt. Both Maine and New Hampshire are struggling to deal with a recession that has truly hurt families, especially those who live in rural areas. If you want to see how the other half lives, visit the refuge.

This is not about our government's concern for wildlife, it is about power and control and the true contempt they have for locals and our culture. That is why he insists on owning 14,0027.78 acres of Errol to be exact, a lot of Upton, Maine, and other little New Hampshire towns, and growing. He and the Fish and Wildlife Service are lousy neighbors and their disdain for local control, private ownership, us and our children's destiny and safety is disgusting. It is time for our Federal leaders to realize what they are voting on and the destructive results of their votes. They were snowballed by a greedy bureaucracy that wants more and more and makes their own rules. Unfortunately for Paul Casey, he has run into locals who, though they don't have the connections and money he controls, have Yankee common sense, and a love for our children and way of life. Hopefully, by keeping this issue alive and forcing our Washington leaders to listen to the people and not just a greedy bureaucrat, we can starve the beast and save our towns. There are better ways to conserve land and still maintain local values and culture. I taught high school science for 36 years and still sub and coach two sports. I was a Zoology major and have seen the effects of Federal intrusion into our schools and even sports.

In closing, there are over 30 petitions out there now in stores, clubs, and once the snowmobilers come North, it will really take off. I would challenge Paul Casey to a public meeting and educate us local yokels on the wonderful benefits of this refuge. I think it would be wonderful to have our Coos County commissioners, foresters, loggers, snowmobile club leaders, Upton residents, and New Hampshire residents and leaders hear him address our concerns and convince us of his vision for the North Country. I would also like to see both Maine and New Hampshire's Senators and Representatives attend and hear and see for themselves what their votes have inflicted upon these communities. It is time to stop filling the public trough these federal bureaucrats wallow in.,

Yours in Freedom,

#### 'Celladore'

### From the 1954-1964 Journals of Beckie Bailey, Installment 52

#### The First Years: Do You See Many Wild Animals, Many Birds?

For four years in a row, we had a doe with twins. They were more adventurous than single ones. One fall we strung wire across the south field to let Kristie have the second crop of grass. When not eating, she always stood by the wire nearest the porch. We tossed corncobs to her which she munched with relish. One night I started to throw a tidbit, then stopped and whispered for B.B. to look. Kristie was ignoring us and looking intently at the lilac which had been by the step of the original house, now a solitary bush standing stiffly alone in the open field. We talked of cutting it but never did. In a minute a young fawn's head peered hesitatingly out from the west side, then drew back. On the east side another head appeared. Kristie lifted her head and spoke softly. After a few more peeks, both fawns came out. The west-side one was the braver; he came up and touched noses with Kristie. The east-side fawn minced nearer; Kristie stepped back a pace. Both fawns spun around, flipped their white tailpieces in the air, and sped back to the woods to the safety of Mother. Another time, washing supper dishes, I saw the fawns by the Baldwin apple tree. They spurned the drops on the ground and were trying to get the apples on the tree. They stood on wobbly hind legs and tried to bite an apple off. No success. Then they bit the branch to shake it. Too early in the season; the apples stayed fast. They gave up soon. This was the only time that I ever saw a deer look gawky.

Only twice did we see a fawn young enough to still have his spots. B.B. saw his peering in the pump house door at him. I saw mine on a hot summer day. I had started down the stone lane on the way to the garbage pit in the woods. I paused in the welcome shade, shut my eyes to more fully enjoy the redolent air, thinking that a fortune could be made if perfumers could ever capture the illusive scent of ferns at high noon in midsummer. My eyes opened to see a baby fawn posed by the gnarled apple tree at the west end of the lane. He was eyeing me with interest. I quietly and slowly bent my knees and sunk down to the ground. He watched a while, then started toward me. A wee breeze came over my shoulder. I heard no sound, but the fawn turned his tiny head, sniffed, took another step ahead, then turned and walked slowly back into the woods. No doubt he had been called by an anxious mother.

Once we saw a complete family together. We were up three hours earlier than usual; daylight came as we ate breakfast. Outside on the lawn grazed a buck, a doe, and two fawns. They ate their

way to the west and disappeared around the corner of the barn. Our most entrancing sight came on an early August evening. Thunder rolled around the hills; rain came intermittently, but we were on the porch. A motion at the edge of the woods, a young fawn with his mother. She was thin and gaunt and eagerly snatching at young grass just springing up after haying. Her baby was not hungry. He ran in small circles around her and moved in to nudge her side. She looked up but continued eating. B.B. said it was probably the first time he had been out of the woods. Mother kept eating, baby kept skipping about and nudging her, then over the wall and into the woods. Mother called him back. He came, tried to eat a bit of grass but preferred sport, so off into the woods again. Again she called him back and this time she stopped eating. She lowered her head and butted at him. He ran off with joy in two big circles, then came back. She did not butt him this time, instead spun around and waited while he got his balance and could turn. They played for about ten minutes, then Mother went back to eating. He nudged her with no response, then started for the woods again. Mother called, he stood still, then she snatched a few more mouthfuls and into the woods with him;

**Continues Next Week** 

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson 10 years ago: Paul Casey. manager of the Umbagog Wildlife Refuge, presented a free slide show and talk as part of the Mahoosuc Land Trust's "Local Knowledge" series.

Sunday River Ski Resort held a Community Night for SAD 44 residents at the White Cap Fun Center.

Liam's Restaurant and Jack's Pub opened on the Sunday River Road.

Births: Thomas Mark Bancroft, Cassidy Kulik Webster. Deaths: Francis E. Shortsleeves, Mildred Berney Otten, Ina M. Carey, Dorothy M. Bennett, William F. Cushing, Jean S. Pierce.

20 years ago: A freak gust of wind was being blamed for à ski lift accident at Sunday River that left a skier from Foxboro, Mass., with a broken leg.

Evans Notch District Ranger Chad Converse had accepted a transfer by the U.S. Forest Service to Anchorage, Alaska.

David and Becky Preble purchased the Prim's Pharmacies in Bethel and South Paris from Chuck Primozich. Deaths: Zachary H. Newell, Winifred Scott.

30 years ago: Two storms dropped seven inches and eight inches of snow in the area making travel by car or on foot an adventure with rough, icy and slippery spots in evidence.

Mrs. Clarice Gibson "of Northwest Bethel was serv ing on the Grand Jury in South Paris. It was reported that over

1,500 people from 22 states and 10 foreign countries had visited the Moses Mason Museum during 1981. Birth: Kristin Elizabeth

Pitcher. Deaths: Emily Clement, Mrs. Noella Barlow, Mrs. Laura E. Pinkham.

40 years ago: The Mason Farm was selling MacIntosh and Cortland apples for \$1 a The Main Street Art Gallery

was featuring paintings and ink drawings by Doug Bane and lithographs by Michela Zetumer. Births: Victoria Eastman,

Rachel Lynn Vashaw, Robin Jessica Hutchins. Deaths: Harry Rowe, Ralph H. Kimball, Mrs. Virginia

Hart, Mrs. Viola G. Morrill, Faye Sanborn Taylor. 50 years ago: Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Kendall and family

moved into their new home on Paradise Hill. The Reverend Clifford R. Patnode was appointed pastor

of the new Church of the Nazarene of Bethel. Births: Ernest Richard An-

gevine, Jr., Carole Ann and Catherine Ann Lord. Deaths: Edgar I. Rainey, Durward H. Mason, Charles

A. Merrill, Lewis J. Mann, Mrs. Lena Heath. 60 years ago: Carl Larson suffered extensive severe flesh wounds when a board saw was started while he was

South Bethel. Many children in the area were confined to their homes with measles.

filing at Chadbourne's mill,

Mrs. Clare Piawlock was working at the Casco Bank & Trust Co, during the absence · of Mrs. Neda Hutchinson.

Births: Nancy Young, Darryl Wade Rice. Deaths: Walter R. Wyman. Walter B. Ordway, John Ko-

rhonen. 70 years ago: George Stearns of Hanover won the 4-H award as Maine's champion 4-H livestock club member for

80 years ago: Grants Apparel Shop in Rumford opened an apparel shop in what was formerly the Bethel Bakery.

90 years ago: The holiday season at Bethel Inn was exceptionally brilliant. Sherman Badger, champion amateur skater of the United States, was a guest.

Mrs. Lennie Howe and Mrs. Gertrude Bailey went to North Carolina where they had employment. Deaths: Sewell Lyon, Mrs.

Mina Greeley Bacon. 110 years ago: tie Stevens was regaining her eyesight after being almost to-

tally blind for years.

#### REPLY TO JIM SYSKO'S COMMENTS

#### To the Editor:

I am writing in response to my friend Jim Sysko, who suggested in last week's Citizen that Newry selectmen advise "other towns to eliminate their conservation commissions before it's too late." The Woodstock Conservation Commission has been in existence for over 20 years and we have never infringed on private property rights nor have we evolved into a restrictive red-tape bureaucracy.

We are a group of volunteer citizens who care about the future of our town and work on a broad range of local conservation issues in Woodstock. The selectmen appoint us and we are responsible to them. This is not big government creeping into your personal lives - we are your neighbors and friends who wish to serve our town in a purely supporting capacity. Conservation commissions as enabled by Maine State Law are advisory, as would any individual or private group of town citizens. Ordinances or regulations can be suggested by any individual or group of citizens and are voted on by all the town. citizens. The only difference in function between a group of private citizens getting together in a town to work on conservation issues and a conservation commission is the former is unaccountable to the selectmen and the citizens. Conservation commissions meet in public, their minutes are public, and the selectmen can appoint members with a broad range of political philosophies and life experiences. The terms are limited and the selectmen can decline to reappoint those that they feel are not serving the best interests of their town.

Maine Conservation Commissions often get involved in other conservation issues. For example, the Woodstock Conservation Commission has provided scholarships for many Woodstock students to attend the 4-H School in Bryant Pond. We submitted a grant application to a PUC program to install solar panels to generate electricity for the town office complex. We have maintained, with landowner permission, some hiking

trails on the Buck's Ledges property. The Woodstock Conservation Commission is currently working on an Open Space Plan. Woodstock voters voiced their support for the protection of our natural resources in our Comprehensive Plan and called for a plan to protect open space. We have compiled publicly available information about the town's special natural resources without entering private property. During the entire process of developing the Open Space Plan we have held numerous open public meetings and solicited broad involvement from Woodstock citizens. We are going to present the Woodstock Open Space Plan to the Selectmen and Planning Board at a public meeting in February. We are not planning to recommend any specific ordinance or regulation.

Our preferred approach will be to identify the most important natural resources and then work with landowners on a voluntary basis (e.g. conservation easements, acquisition) to protect these resources. Contrast this with the many towns that don't proactively protect special resources such as mountaintops on a voluntary basis, but then pass restrictive ordinances denying the ability of landowners to lease or sell their lands for development. I prefer a free market solution of purchasing important lands rather than using ordinances to deny private property rights.

One of the benefits of a conservation commission and even the process of establishing one is to have an informed public dialogue free of fear and misinformation. The anonymous handbill distributed at the Newry town meeting prior to the conservation commission vote contained significant misinformation,

which may have unduly influenced voters. I welcome an ongoing open and pubic dialogue with Jim and ofhers to discuss how conservation commissions are a benefit

rather than a threat. I am a member of the Woodstock Conservation Commission

and write this letter as an individual. For additional information about conservation commissions including Maine Law, go to www.meacc.net. For information about individual town natural resources go to www.beginningwithhabitat.org/the\_maps/map\_availability.html.

Marcel Polak Woodstock

#### HAPPY NEW-ENERGY YEAR

#### To the Editor:

The coming year could be one of the most important ever in our country and for the global community. I think we can learn from the past with our environment and economy, and that we can turn toward a brighter future.

We are now on our way to an erratic and mostly hotter planet because of the pollution we spew into the air. This is a huge threat to our food supply, infrastructure, health, and security.

We have been warned about climate change for more than 20 years, but we have yet to act decisively together. To avoid disaster we need to use much less oil, propane, gas, coal, and wood fuels that come from old or new plant material and create greenhouse gases when burned.

Changing to new insulation and cleaner energy will help stabilize global climate and help the economy. Clean energy is a growing sector, with good-paying jobs. Some object to the subsidies that play an important role in new technologies, but dirty fuels get much more public money.

There will be lots of ways you can pitch in this coming year, from making home improvements, to fighting fossil fuel corporations, to voting for more clean energy and weatherization in Maine.

Last year we saw a bit of improvement in our country, stalling a Big Oil pipeline and investing more in renewables, but I am looking forward to real progress for all of us in 2012.

Bethel

#### PASS ANTI-BULLYING ACT

With the Legislature back in session I have a citizen request that LD 1237, the Anti-Bullying Act, be reintroduced and passed into Law.

Children are no longer thought of as "small adults" that should be seen and not heard. Children are like empty vessels that need to be filled with knowledge, understanding, love and compassion. They have inherited strengths and weaknesses of which they are not yet aware. If damage is done to another person's property the perpetra-

tor is libel and must pay. Where are the laws that protect the heart, soul and the psyche? The NEA estimates that hundreds of thousands of children miss school because they have been bullied, some even commit suicide.

"Children should be taught to have a zero-tolerance policy to being harassed or seeing others mistreated, and to tell every adult they can find when it happens. We must teach kids that politeness is required, in person and on computer, and other people are as important as they are." (Lane Fuller, member of Newsday editorial board quoted in the Sun Journal)

LD 1237 would establish a uniform policy throughout the school systems and would make clear to all that bullying will not be tolerated.

It is well known that the Christian Civic League convinced the Leadership to put an end to LD 1237 that was all set to pass last session. There is nothing Christian about bullying and why this group keeps insisting it is their God-given right is beyond me.

Nancy Willard Woodstock

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#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Pursuant to Title 28 MRSA 252 - a no tice is hereby given that a Public Hear-ing will be held on January 9, 2012, at the Bethel Town Office to consider a Liquor License Renewal from The Foothills Grille & Catering Co. located at 186 Main St. Public comment will be heard at that time. Prior to the hearing date written comment may be issued to the Bethel Town Office or email at Info@ bethelmaine.org

Christen Mason

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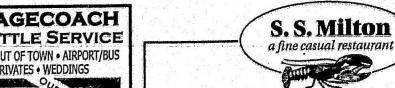
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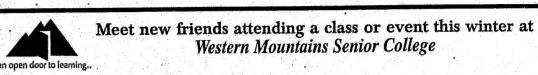
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Drawing & Painting (begins January 12th)

Readers' Theatre: "Witch-hunts" (1 - 3 pm at 107 Paradise Road, Bethel)

The following one-time events are free to members:

Saranne Taylor: "Climbing in Kenya with Saranne and Friends" January 30th, 1-2:30 pm, Telstar High School

Snowshoe Nature Outing with Rick Churchill (Snowshoe Rental Available for a fee) February 27th, 1 pm at the Bethel Inn Snowshoe Trails

Introduction to the Opera: Wagner's "Die Gotterdammerung".

February 6th, 3:30 pm at Telstar High School. The Metropolitan Opera Simulcast is February 11, 1 pm at Fryeburg Academy - tickets purchased separately.

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"Then I interviewed three old-timers who grew up on Howe Hill. I interviewed them separately. I asked them, 'Which farm on Howe Hill had a big boulder right near the house?' The men all agreed, said Mills, that "it was the Archie Cole place. They said it was the only one on Howe Hill that has a big boulder near it. That was one of the parcels that Benjamin Bean owned. So we're pretty sure we know the farm."

The house was torn down in the 1960s or 1970s, Mills said, but a photo (Front Page) survives. The house was located near the intersection of Howe Hill and Cemetery roads, near Mt. Abram, he said.

Later: Milton or Bethel? L.L. Bean did not spend many years in Greenwood.

"I think he was around 6 when his father sold the interest in the hotel, and they moved over to Milton, where his father built a house," said Mills.

Whether the farmhouse, located on Route 232, was technically in Milton Plantation may be in question. Mills said the Bean family and others in that area commonly referred to it as Milton.

But Bethel may actually have the claim on Bean for that portion of his life.

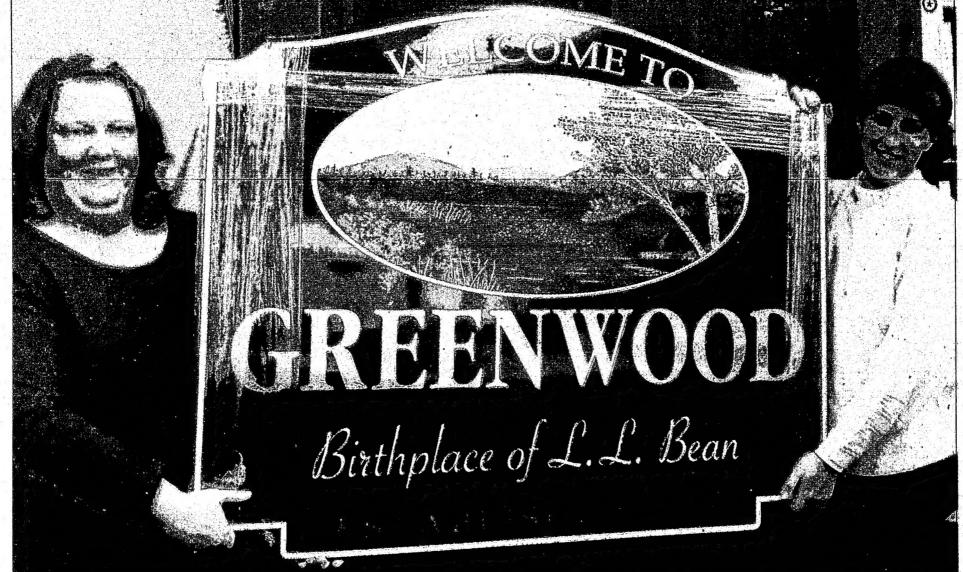
An 1880 Bethel census, provided by the Bethel Historical Society, lists Bean's father, mother and, among their children, a "Leon A. Bean."

Despite the apparent error on what would become a very famous middle initial, the census seems to have the right person - the boy's age was given as 8, corresponding to his birth year.

Randy Bennett, BHS executive director, said a county atlas from 1880 also places the Bean homestead just on the Bethel side of the Bethel-Milton line.

Bean refers to trips to Bethel Village in his autobiogra-

"The real big event of the



PROOF THAT GREENWOOD STILL EXISTS—Greenwood Town Manager Kim Sparks (left) and Deputy Clerk Angle Lovejoy are shown here with one of four new signs that were recently placed at entry roads to the town. The town had established a fund to pay for the signs, which were made by Ross Swan of Greenwood. The lake scene, with a view of South Pond looking north, was painted by Troy Jordan of Bethel. Two signs are located on Route 26, one on Route 219 and one on the Green-(Photo: Betsey Foster) wood Road.

year was in the Fall, when my father and mother went to Bethel Hill to get clothes, boots, and a barrel of molasses at Seal Rowe's Store. for the winter. They always brought home a bag of candy and copper-toed shoes for the three youngest children, Guy, Ervin and me."

Other towns As a result of a family tragedy, two other Oxford County towns can also lay claim to

Bean during his youth. In 1884, when L.L. was 12 and the family was still living in Bethel, his parents died within four days of each other. The young Bean lived at

first with a neighbor, according to his autobiography. He also stayed with relatives

in South Paris, Mills said. It was while Bean was there that he went on his first hunting trip, with a cousin.

"We took a train from South Paris to Gilead and walked three miles to Hastings, where we stopped over night in a boarding house," he wrote in his autobiography. Bean soon moved to West

Minot to live with another relative, and then lived and worked on a farm in Hebron. He went on to attend Kents Hill Academy, studying a

commercial course.

For years afterward, Bean worked at various jobs. His employment included stints at retail businesses owned by his brothers.

In 1911 he created his famous boots, and then, in 1912, established his company.

Local relatives

Leon Akers of Andover is the great-grandson of Inez Bean, and he was named after L.L.

Akers said he can remember, as a boy in the 1940s, going to Freeport to visit two of L.L.'s brothers. "I have fond memories of going down there and going to visit the mail that came in. factory," he said. L.L. him-

An emergency water pipe re-

pair last Thursday afternoon

who responded, officials said.

However, after investigat-

ing and later questioning the

tenant, they learned he hadn't

threatened to harm anyone

and that the caller might

not have been truthful, Ox-

ford County Sheriff's Deputy

Still, once the threat was

called in, police and the water

district crew had to take it se-

riously, both Cayer and water

district Superintendent Luc-

Six deputies and a Maine

State Police trooper respond-

ed, telling the Bethel Water

District crew to go to the fire

station until they secured the

scene at 16 Spring St., Cayer

"We had a complaint that

there was some water dam-

age being done in the house

by frozen pipes from another

family member and the com-

plainant made the statement

George Cayer said.

ien Roberge said.

away on business, said Ak-

But as the business grew, Bean didn't forget his relatives back in western Maine. He would send "seconds" of his famous boots to Andover, where Florence Bailey lived. She distributed them to anyone she felt might need them, Mills said.

And, said Mills, "His first cousin, Lura Swett Day, had a stamp collection, and L.L. knew she did. "He had clerks at the busi-

ness cut the stamps off the

self, however, was typically and when the box got full, he had it sent up to Lura in Woodstock."

Why then, despite maintaining a connection with relatives in this area, did Bean believe Greenwood no longer existed?

Mills has a theory. "He mailed all over the world," said Mills. "I think it was because the Post'Office was 'Locke Mills,' and he figured there was no longer a Greenwood."

(Note: Jim Witherell, author of "L.L. Bean: The Man and His Company," will speak at the Bethel Historical Society "They threw them in a box, this summer, on July 7.)

## The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

I'm sure that I am not alone in saying that I spent way too much money during Christmas.

With grandchildren I do tend to go a bit overboard, but it's not just the gift buying that has put my checkbook in a negative balance. With all of the holiday planning, shopping and other stuff, I did a lot more takeout or eating out than I normally do and let me tell you the days of cheap burgers and fries are long gone. Now it costs a lot of McMoney.

There was also the need for wrapping paper, bows, tape and tags and that stuff isn't as cheap as it used to be either. I won't even go into the grocery shopping and all the other incidental expenses that are associated with Christmas. Suffice it to say; I spent way too much money.

It would be a wonderful thing if all regular bills were suspended for the month of December. One month out of the year when utilities, fuel and other household expenses were free; what a great gift that would be!

Unfortunately, that's not how it works and bills not paid in December just come out double in January and now it's time for me and others, I'm sure, to play catch-up.

I've been hearing a great deal lately about the high value of gold. Apparently it's over \$1,100 per ounce and there are signs in

places like pawn shops and jewelry stores that are "Buying gold."

That certainly got me to thinking about all the gold jewelry I have and never wear. I figured I must be sitting on a fortune in gold and all I have to do is take my jewelry box to some place that is "Buying Gold" and goodbye debt.

I thought I had all kinds of gold jewelry and as it turns out -I don't.

Here's a news flash - as Shakespeare once wrote, all that glitters is not gold. Do you have any idea how difficult it is for the untrained to tell what's gold, gold plate, gold filled, brass or something else entirely?

All this time I thought I had all kinds of gold jewelry and as it turns out-Idon't. Ido have some very nice goldplated jewelry and even some that is gold filled, the difference of which is lost on me.

In fact, just about, everything related to gold is lost on me. Up until recently I used the term carat and karat equally never understanding that carat with a "c" is gemstone weight and karat with a "k" is precious metals weight. I also can't tell a diamond from a zirconium or a piece of glass, but since

I have precious few diamonds I doubt that I'll ever have to be able to tell which is which.

Nor do I understand why karat weight is assigned the way it is. For example, 24 karate gold is 100% pure gold, none of which I happen to own. However, 18 karat gold is only 75% gold, 18 parts gold and 6 parts other metals. I do have a necklace that is 14K or 58.3% gold, but selling this won't retire my Christmas debt. If you are now wondering what 10 karat gold breaks downs it is 41.7% gold.

Learning the difference between carat and karat and the karat weight standard I guess is good information to have, but since I only have one necklace that really is gold and I plan to keep, I don't see what my new knowledge will do for me.

Since the family jewels are not going to make me any richer I guess I need to set up a budget and stick to it. If I'm really disciplined and there are no major setbacks I'll be back on track in no time.

As for the gold plated and filled jewelry I have, the way I see it I might just as well start wearing it because it's not doing me any good sitting in a jewelry box.

I do wonder, however, what my sterling silver silverware set is worth. After all, my grandsons' birthdays are coming right up.

'Threat' draws deputies to Spring St. that this (tenant) was going safe," Roberge said. "They to shoot anybody that came to the house if they tried to evict

at a Spring Street house behim," Cayer said. Both declined to identify the came frightful for the Bethel tenant or landlord and no one Water District crew when a caller alerted police that the was harmed, charged or artenant would shoot anyone

> Roberge said they normally use a curb stop above ground to shut off water, but it had been sheared off so they had to quickly dig it up, because leaks threaten the amount of available water for fire protection.

> He arrived with a crew. "It was kind of scary, because I didn't know what was going on, so I ran out there and painted it as quickly as I could and evacuated and, of course, then called Dig Safe," Roberge said, to get emergen-

cy clearance to dig. When the deputies and trooper arrived they donned flak jackets, armed themselves with assault rifles and slowly advanced on the house from cover. After determining the tenant wasn't home, they told Roberge and the crew to return and work while officers provided security.

"They really made me feel

were everywhere. They were watching the side of the house, the back of the house. they shut the road down, they had a guy standing with us with what looked like an AR-15 and we couldn't have been any safer."

While they worked, the tenant arrived, Cayer said.

"He denied making any threats and said he wasn't going to do any harm, but we had him leave the area until the water district was finished doing what they had to do to dig the street up, and he left of his own free will," Cayer said.

"It's kind of nerve-racking." Roberge said, "because you want to trust the Sheriff's department, but you're still looking in the windows trying to see if you can see somebody looking out with a gun," he said. "It's a scary experience."

"The officer said, 'Don't worry, You're all set.' I said, 'Alright, boys, let's go and get this done and get out of here,' and they did. We didn't fool around. We got right to business. That was the fastest repair I think we've ever done."

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#### **New Brand**

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An "other" that put a damper on fundraising.

"Nobody wanted to sponsor the Maine Handicapped Skiing Golf Tournament, because it was an 'other," he

The new name, with the inclusion of "recreation," also better reflects the varied motivations of participants.

"It captures the huge variation in people's goals when they come here," Topper said.

"You have people who are competitive ski racers, they want to get faster, better, stronger, and that's why they

"But there's a whole other crew that doesn't want any part of any of that.

"They want to do a threeday ski trip where they feel alive again, feel the wind off their face, forget about their disability for three days each winter.

"It's just a recreational escape for them. They don't want any part of the 'sport."

'MASS' ruled out Among the other possible new names considered, but ultimately rejected, was "Maine Adaptive Skiing and Sports."

We wanted to be intent-ly respective of the founders and what their feelings were," Topper said. "The folks for whom this has become a part of their life legacy. And 'Maine Adaptive Skiing and Sports' became one way of honoring that heri-

tage and still holding sking as the basis for what we do. "But the problem was that

still makes everybody else sound like 'other.' "Where do the snowshoers

fit in 'Sking and Sports'? A quiet walk in the woods once a week - that's neither." The "MASS" acronym also

presented a problem. "We thought: Oh, no! We

can't be 'MASS' in Maine." But in any case, Maine Adaptive Sports and Recreation hopes to be known not by its new, unpronounceable acronym, but simply as "Maine Adaptive."

Executive Director Peter Adams said: "We'll always have adaptive skiing at the core of our mission. With so many different year-round activities taking place all over the state of Maine, the reference to sports and recreation will help us build on our 30-year commitment to skiing and our Sunday River

"We are also bringing more people into skiing after starting with other adaptive activities. The idea of adapting is at the heart of what we do and it's fitting that it will become part of our new identi-

For more Maine Adaptive's new website, maineadaptive.org, is due to go live by the middle of next week, Topper said. The old site, skimhs.org, will remain up and will feed to the

#### Upton

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that sets a date when taxes are due, and set a rate of interest to be charged on taxes due after that date, came with a recommendation from selectmen for a 5 percent interest rate after Oct. 31, 2012.

Paul Casey proposed an amendment to change the . October date to 60 days after tax bills go out, to allow flexibility, if needed, in the preparation of the bills. The amended article passed eas-

An article on funding the transfer station for \$17,000 prompted a suggestion that the town talk to nearby Andover about possibly partnering on recycling.

Selectman Bob Brown said the board could look into it. Other large money articles approved included \$44,000 for town office expenses, \$14,000 for municipal buildings, and \$36,000 (plus funds raised from excise taxes) for town roads and equipment repair.

The meeting concluded after a half hour. It was moderated by Wendy Hanscom of Newry.

School budget articles will be considered at a future meeting, when the information becomes available.

The next scheduled town meeting will take place in June, and will set a budget for 2013.

#### Newry

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want to get information, sure," said Hanscom. Wight wondered might happen to the compactor after ski season was over

each year. Largess speculated that. the operation might simply be a seasonal arrangement, or that recyclers from other parts of Newry, or even other

towns, might utilize it if they

wished. He said there would be many logistical details to work out, but he didn't want to get ahead of the process before the question was even posed to Pine Tree and OCS-

"In my mind, it's worth it to go ask the question," he said.



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#### **OCSD Bethel Patrol Log**

Tuesday, Dec. 27

At 5:13 p.m. a caller on Route 2 reported a subject had just hit the guard rail and had minor injuries. Deputy Willie Nelson was assigned.

At 5:19 p.m. Deputy Matt Baker responded to Route 2 for a truck off the road, with no injuries.

At 5:28 p.m. Cpl. Brian Landis responded to the Walkers Mills road for a vehicle that had slid off the road, with no damage. Several other vehicles were also off the road in the

At 5:29 p.m. Deputy George Cayer responded to Jonathan Clark Lane for a vehicle that had skidded across the road and was on the railroad tracks.

At 6:32 p.m. Deputies George Cayer and Matt Baker responded to Route 2 near the Sunday River Road for a four-vehicle accident, including an off-duty officer, with no

At 6:57 p.m. Deputy Willie Nelson responded to Route 2 for a vehicle off the road, with no injuries.

At 9:12 p.m. Deputy Willie Nelson responded to the Airport Road for a vehicle at a business that was not supposed to be

At 10:44 p.m. Deputy Willie Nelson responded to the intersection of Walkers Mills and Bailey roads for a vehicle off the road.

Wednesday, Dec. 28

At 12:01 a.m. Cpl. Brian Landis and Deputy Matt Baker . assisted a motorist on Route 26 with a vehicle off the road.

At 12:03 a.m. on Route 26 Deputy Matt Baker assisted a motorist off the road.

At 8:03 a.m. Cpl. Chancey Libby and Deputy George Cayer responded to Railroad Street for a report of a vehicle driving off without paying for gas.

At 9:55 a.m. Cpl. Chancey Libby and Deputy George Cayer served a protection from abuse order on the Grover Hill

At 10:50 p.m. on Route 2 Deputy Justin Brown arrested Paul D. Chiasson, 44, of Bethel for OUI.

#### Thursday, Dec. 29

At 2:59 p.m. Cpl. Brian Landis, Lt. Tom Harriman and Deputy Sullivan Rizzo responded to Spring Street for a report of a serious threat being made by an individual.

At 5:40 p.m. Sgt. Tim Holland and Deputy Sullivan Rizzo responded to the Mayville Road for a report of a three-car crash.

#### Friday, Dec. 30

At 3:28 a.m. a caller reported a possible party taking place at a rental unit. Deputy Dani Welch was assigned.

At 12:40 p.m. a caller reported finding an IPod phone. It was left at the Bethel office.

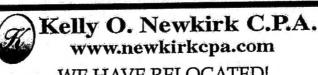
At 2:41 p.m. a caller reported a vehicle on Cross Street with three children who did not appear to be properly secured in child seats. Cpl. Brian Landis was assigned.

At 6:15 p.m. on Route 2 Deputy Jeff Huston investigated a vehicle's registration status.



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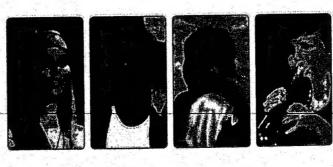
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#### Saturday, Dec. 31

At 2:02 p.m. Deputy George Cayer conducted a special detail for OUIs on Routes 2, 5 and 26.

At 10:04 p.m. Sgt, Tim Holland and Deputy Bruce Korhonen responded to the Intervale Road for an accident with air bag deployment. There were no injuries.

#### Sunday, Jan. 1

At 6:11 a.m. Sgt. Tim Holland and Deputy Mike Halacy responded to Blake Hill in Bethel for a vehicle off the road.

#### Monday, Jan. 2

At 11:20 a.m. Deputy Dennis Ryder stopped a vehicle on Main Street for a traffic violation. Sonya Boring, 31, of Hanover was summonsed for failure to stop at a stop sign and for possession of marijuana.

At 3:36 p.m. on Route 2 Deputy Mike Halacy conducted an impaired driver detail.

At 3:53 p.m. a report was received of a gas driveoff on Mayville Road, Deputies Dennis Ryder and Matt Baker were assigned.

At 6:39 p.m. a vehicle went off the Intervale Road. Deputy Matt Noyes responded. The driver was injured and was taken to the hospital by a family member.

This report highlights points of interest from the Oxford County Sheriff's Department Bethel Patrol log.

#### **Oxford County Jail:**

(Bethel region)

Dec. 28. 11:35 p.m.: Paul D. Chiasson, 44, of Bethel, OUI; by Deputy Justin Brown on Route 2 in Bethel.

Jan. 3, 9:10 p.m.: Brian L. Piawlock, 53, of Bethel, domestic assault, obstructing the reporting of a crime, criminal restraint; by Deputy Justin Brown on the East Bethel Road, Bethel.



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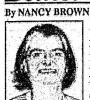
Located at 189 Dudley Road, Woodstock, Maine Mortgage recorded in Oxford (East) County Registry of Deeds at Book 3624, Page 107 and re-recorded in Oxford (East) County Registry of Deeds at Book 3639, Page 250 By virtue of and in execution of an Order and Judgment of

oreclosure and Sale entered in the Oxford County Superior Court on September 14, 2011, in Civil Action, Docket No. RE-10-89, brought by TD Bank, N.A., f/k/a TD Banknorth, N.A., against Doron and Sharon Haendel as Defendants and others as Parties-In-Interest, for the foreclosure of a mortgage recorded as set forth above, the statutory ninety (90) day period of redemption having expired without redemption, notice is hereby given that there will be sold at public sale at 9:30 A.M. on Thursday, the 9th day of February, 2012, at the law offices of Perkins Thompson, P.A., One Canal Plaza, Portland, Maine and singular the P.A., One Canal Plaza, Portland, Maine all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, situated at 189 Dudley Road, in the Town of Woodstock, County of Oxford and State of Maine. The property is shown on the Woodstock Tax Maps as Lot 34, Map 4. Please refer to said mortgage deed recorded in said Registry of Deeds for a more particular description of the premises, which include a multi-family house with 3,800 sq. ft. of living space situated on an 89 acre parcel. There will be no open house. To confirm sale time and place, call Stephanie A. Williams, Esq. at 12073 774-2635

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Stephanie A. Williams, Esq. Attorney for TD Bank, N.A.

#### Bethel



Fast and Female XC Skiing, will take place on Saturday, Jan. 7, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.

at the Gould Academy Field House, The event will be led by crosscountry skiing World Cup medalist Sadie Bjornsen and National Team member Jessie Diggins. Fast and Female is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting and motivating young women ages 9 through 19 to participate in sports and live a healthy lifestyle. The group partners with female Olympians to offer programs all over North America. The organization currently focuses on cross-country skiing, biathlon, and complimentary summer endurance sports. Eventually, the group hopes to be involved in all Olympic Sports. Fast and Female was founded in 2005 by Olympic gold medalist in cross-country skiing Chandra Crawford and is based in Canmore, Alberta. You can register for the event in Bethel by going to www.fastandfemale.com. The cost is \$7.

Ice fishing season began on Jan. 1. However, the Maine Warden Service issued warnings throughout the weekend that ice in Maine was not thick enough for recreational activities. They warned that even the ice in the Allagash Wilderness region in northern Maine was unsafe.

Have you participated in the Saturday Stroll in Bethel? On the first Saturday of the month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., businesses on Main Street offer great deals, sales,

and special food offerings. Follow the signs for businesses that participate. The winter Saturday Strolls are Jan. 7, Feb. 4, and March 3.

If you're like me, you closely watch the cost of gasoline and fuel oil. For most of us, the cost determines how far we drive and how high we set the thermostat. This past week, the average cost of a gallon of regular gasoline in Maine was \$3,361, more than twenty cents higher than a year ago. As usual the lowest prices were in the Portland-Scarborough area. On New Year's Day, in this part of Oxford County, prices varied from \$3.289 to \$3.399 per gallon. Heating fuel prices are also high - the average cost of a gallon of heating oil was \$3.59 in mid-December. If you need help heating your home, you may be eligible for a one-time delivery of 100 gallons of free heating oil. Citizens Energy, in partnership with CITGO, offers help with heating oil to people in 23 states, including Maine. You can get an application by calling 1-877-563-4645. More information is also available online

at www.citizensenergy.com. If you have news you'd like to share, please send it to nancybrown1150@yahoo.com or call me at 824-2483.

#### East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ



2012 is off to an odd start in regard to the weather. It felt like spring the other day and none I spoke

to remember ever having experienced these balmy temperatures this time

Ruby Coolidge had a Christmas tree on New Year's Day

with all her grandchildren, their friends and the greatgrand boys.

All in all there were 15 in attendance enjoying good food and having lots of fun. Aline Dupont told me that Lee and Jennifer Norris are in Myrtle Beach, Va., for the New Year with Lee's family. Ryan Stowell is in Los Angeles, Calif., with his fiance, Katarina, visiting her family, then to Seattle, Wash., to visit a close friend, and next on to Las Vegas to enjoy the shows. Aline wishes them lots of fun and what a great way to start the New Year!

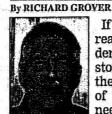
Bettyanne and Sonny Hastings had a family Christmas get-together the week before Christmas. Everyone, other than Scott, Ellen and their kids they live in Texas were there to celebrate. Attending were Eric and Celeste Hastings and their sons Cameron and Zack,

Jeff and Kathy Hastings and daughter Jennifer. Justin Hastings also couldn't come as he had to work. Jack and Julie Warwick were fortunate to have Charlie and Merlie Butters there also. Everyone stayed for the whole weekend. New Year's Eve some relatives went to Ginny Gamble's for a Gamble and Hastings get-together with too many to mention by name in atten-

This week it is time for a new Trivia question. In 1903 who was the "R.F.D. man" and what was his pay? Call me any time at 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.net with your answers and news.

I didn't get any responses about possible New Year resolutions, which usually get broken anyhow, right? Thus I'll share a quote by musician Eubie Blake about bad habits; "I don't have any bad habits. They might be bad habits for other people, but they're all right for me." Sounds good to me.

Have a great week.



If my regular readers wonder where my story has been the past couple of weeks, you need to ask The Citizen. I'm

told they "forgot" me Christmas week, and then "lost" my article last week. That burst my bubble. I guess I'm not as popular as I thought.

Ain't it funny how time slips away? It's 2012 already! Mona and I had a rather unpleasant Christmas holiday this past season. Why? I took her to ER at Stephens Thursday evening, Dec. 22, with severe abdominal pains. A CT scan revealed a problem which required hospitalization, so we had her transferred to St. Mary's in Lewiston because that's where our doctors and medical records are. By Christmas Eve day, she was feeling better and was told the discharge papers would be ready "soon." As we were sitting and chatting in her room waiting for the discharge, she began suffering an irregular heartbeat. Then, she spent two days on the cardiac care ward, while the medics ran some tests and decided on medications (for heartbeat and blood thinners, which include warfarin, a rat poison!).

I finally brought her home in the evening of the day after Christmas, with instructions to get daily blood samples, needed to determine her meds dosages until her blood reached the desired levels of "thinness." Next morning (Tuesday) Mona phoned the Bethel Health Center to ask if they could take her blood samples with the order she had from Dr. Isaacs, at St. Mary's. She was refused, "because you are not one of our regular pa-

I was ticked! But I drove her to Stephens for her blood tests two days, until Dr. Isaacs said

she was okay and the proper meds to take regularly until her next visit with him. As of this writing, Mona is feeling okay, aside from a pain atop her left shoulder and a feel of tiredness much of the time.

I am attaching the story I wrote last week as a sequel to my first chapter on the "F-

Don't know how much The Citizen will have room for, More F-105

In December, 1966 I, like a lot of other Air Force folks, did not know a lot about the F-105, except what I had read in newspapers and magazines. I knew a lot of them were being shot down in North Vietnam, and I kept hearing lots of rumors. I heard that the definition of an optimist was an F-105 pilot in Vietnam who quit smoking because he was afraid he might die of lung cancer! There was the story of an F-105 pilot who had completed his 100 combat missions over North Vietnam and had stopped in to the officers club bar at Anderson AFB, Guam on his way back to the "States." While there, the Thud pilot was told by the club officer to clear the bar to make way for the B-52 combat crews who were returning from one of their combat missions (At that time B-52's were only bombing South Vietnam and southern Laos, not North Vietnam). The Thud driver refused to give up his seat and gave a two word response, ".... you!" These rumors, stories, jokes and comments about "105's" and "105 pilots" added

upcoming assignment. The F-105's nickname was the "Thud." Fighter pilots have a habit of assigning odd, some might say sadistic, nicknames for their airplanes. The F-111 was dubbed the "Aardvark" because of its long, drooping nose. The A-10 is called the "Wart Hog" because of its odd shape and its many protrusions. The F-4 was known as the "Double Ugly" because of its two engines and unattractive shape. The F-105 got its unusual nickname when quite a few of the early models had this unpleasant habit of crashing shortly after takeoff. Wags liked to say the Thud pilot's checklist read, "gear up," "flaps up," "crack up," thereby hitting the ground with a thud! (En-

to my level of unease about my

cause after too many crashes. Every aircraft has some kind of fuel vent system büjlt in because fuel tends to e pand and contract as the air temperature and pressure changes, and the vent lets excess fuel drain overboard when the fuel in a full tank expands. In the F-105, the vent line led to the bottom of the fuselage just ahead of the engine exhaust. They finally figured out that an F-105 with full tanks taking off in full afterburner would occasion ally vent enough excess fuel that it would flow into the exhaust and explode, resulting in an abrupt end of the flight! The solution was to addian aerodynamic fairing to the bottom of the fuselage which brought the fuel vent 18 inches away from the fuselage; where it could be safely jettisoned.)

F-105 pilots loved the aircraft for several reasons. dt was a single-seat, single-engine bird that could fly really fast (twice the speed of sound at 40,000 feet altitude); it could even exceed the speed of sound at sea level; which few aircraft could do in the 1960s. You were your own boss when airborne in a Thud. Nobody could look over your shoulder in a sifigle-seat aircraft, although about 100 two- seat Thuds were built for use in ad! vanced pilot training. These two- seat versions were the birds modified for the Wild Weasel mission.



During week tween Christmas and New Year's, not much happens. Meet.

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ings are postponed or canceled as people visit with families far and

near. The Andover Food Pantry which serves the communities of Upton, Andover, Roxbury and Byron provided Christmas boxes for 57 families and individuals. Special thanks to all the volunteers who worked so hard to assemble these gifts and to the employees of New Page who gineers finally discovered the enabled us to also provide for



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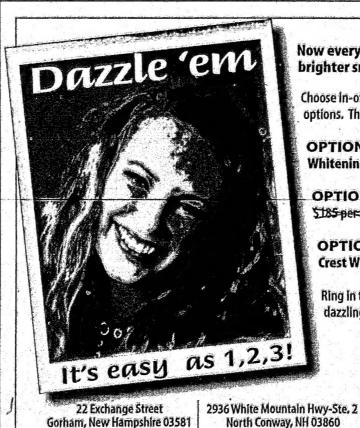




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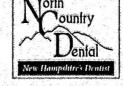
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as children. The "Star" program was a success as people could chose a star from the tree at the First Congregational Church or the wreath at the Little Red Hen Restaurant and fulfill the wish of a child. It was important to note that most of the requests vere for boots, jackets, mittens and hats which are all necessary to face the cold

Maine weather. If you're considering running for an elected position in Andover, you will want torget your nomination papers at the Town Office. Offives open for election at the March Town Meeting are: Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of the Poor; Fire Chief; Town Cherk; Tax Collector, Road Commissioner, and School Board Representative.

Since the New Year has begun, perhaps the following could be a guide this year for you by our favorite author, Anon.; "I am the New Year. I am unused, unspotted, without blemish. I stretch before you three hundred and sixty-five days long. I will present each day in its turn, annew leaf in the 'Book of Life' for you to place upon it your imprint. I am the New Year. It remains for you to make of me what you will. If you write with firm steady strokes, my pages will be a joy to look upon when the next New Year comes. If the pen falters, if uncertainty or doubt should mar the page, it will become a day to remember with pain. I am the New Year. Each hour of the three hundred and sixty-five days, I will give you sixty minutes that have never known the use of man. White and pure, I present them. It remains for you to fill them with sixty jeweled seconds of love, hope, endeavor, patience, and trust. I am the New Year. Ham here but once past, I can't be recalled. Make me your best."

### Hanover

BY CLEM WORCESTER



holi-The season day has now ended and we are looking ahead to months of snow, storms and darkness.

Some have been trying to follow their New Years resolutions and others have given un on them already. Others just hope everything in 2012

is better than last year.
What do Molly, Sam, and
Honey have in common? They are some of the Hanover dogs whose masters thought to license them be-

many senior citizens as well fore the end of 2011. There are more to go and only until Jan. 31 to get it done. If Hanover dogs are not licensed by Feb. 1 \$25 will be added to the \$6 spay or neuter fee or the \$11 non-al-

tered dog fee. Many Hanover taxpayers took advantage of the 2 percent discount on current taxes. The program for this year ended on Dec. 31 and will quite The taxes remaining unpaid must be paid by June 30, 2012.

Bob Brown of Plumbago Mountain Farm had a skidder mishap at the edge of an old landing when his machine slipped into a deep hole nearly tipping over, Brian Worcester happened along with his skidder. After hooking onto Bob's skidder and giving a big tug, Bob's skidder rolled onto solid

ground again. Several ice storms last week turned roads into something that shouldn't be driven on. Road crews sanded and salted roads, but with temperatures above freezing during the day and below freezing at night roads remained quite slick.

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library will now resume the normal winter schedule. It will be open Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon. The Library bees meet on Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the Library unless otherwise noted.

#### Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN



Hope everyone had a safe and Happy New Year! We have noticed a few more birds at the feeder this past week-

end. They seem to know if the weather is going to get bad or colder. There were the usual ones: Chickadees, Goldfinches, Nuthatches, Juncos, Blue Jays and Mourning Doves. The weather on New Year's Day and the day after was a lot warmer, so fewer birds were at the feeder.

My brother, Steve McLain. stopped by the house on Saturday. He had sorted the Town of Gilead's mail and was headed over to put it into the individual mailboxes in the office. Steve and Lise McLain want to thank all those who sent

condolences regarding the loss of their pet, Laney, by e mails, cards, phone calls, and person to person condolences. Steve and Lise McLain attended the church supper on Dec. 28 at the Bethel Alliance Church.

Lise McLain's brother, Richard Dupont, called from Florida during the Christmas holi-

Steve and Lise McLain received a phone call from their son, Major Stephen McLain, III, on New Year's Day from the country of Norway.

Dan and Luella Cole received a call on Christmas from their grandson, Robert, who is the son of Kelly Cole of Texas. He was delighted with his new bicycle that he received for Christmas. Dan called last likely be repeated next year. . Sunday and said that he was outside and noticed that there were Jonquils coming up in

his garden. Hugh and I went outside to look around and found out that there are a few Iris plants that are trying to grow. It was so nice out that I decided to enjoy some sunshine in the swing. I don't think that I have ever been able to do that on New Year's Day, The temperature was forty-eight degrees. Hugh took a picture of me relaxing in the swing so we would have a record of the beautiful warm weather.

Norm Buttrick stopped by Saturday and dropped off the Schoolhouse Number 6 Gilead Historical Society Archaeological Survey report that he just finished compiling and getting printed. He and Cathy were up for New Year's at their place

on the Bog Road. Hugh and I ran into Don Baker, who is a long-time friend of Hugh's, earlier this week in Gorham, N.H. Great to see him and Happy New Year wishes to his wife, Shirley and father,

Pete Baker. Planning Board The PB will not meet on Jan.

5 (tonight). Their next meeting will be on Feb. 2. Got any news? Call 836-2987

or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.

<u>Upton</u>



Happy New Year to All! ex-Collie her tends thanks everyone for the Christmas tree that her

rated for her. The tree was in her house when she returned home after her second surgery. Collie wants everyone to know that she IS on the mend. I have started the long ,and probably expensive, journey of resurrecting an International T340 bulldozer. Does anyone out there have a T340, TD340 or a T3040 parts ma-

friends and neighbors deco-

chine that they would sell? Breakfast at the Ladies Aid was great, as always. Good food for a small price and the money goes to an organization that does a lot for the townspeople. Please join them for breakfast soon, any Sunday 8 a.m. till 11 a.m. until further notice. They have their meetings Fridays 10 a.m. at Leslie's

house. The State Line Snowmobile Club will meet Saturday, Jan. 7, 9 a.m. in the Upton House.

The Upton Historical Society will have their first meeting since October on Sunday, Jan. 22, 1 p.m. in the Upton House.

Town meeting was short and calm. Wendy Hanscom was the single nominee for moderator and won with a show of hands. Bob Pepler was unopposed for the selectman position and received all votes cast for the job. The remaining 18 articles were all budget items and they all passed with little or no discussion. There

was no available information for the school budget, so that will have to be voted on at a. later time, probably during the June town meeting

The selectmen will meet Tuesday, Jan 10, 7 p.m. in the town office.

The planning board did not meet in November or December. They will resume their monthly meetings starting Jan. 27, 6:30 in the town office.

Call me at 533-2010 or e-mail me at backstjoe@gmail.com with your news.(or if you have a T340 for sale).

#### Locke's Mills



The town office has been busy with people licensing their dogs. Even though licenses were due the end of

December, there is a grace period for the month of January before penalties kick in. Get well wishes to Town

Manager Kim Sparks, who has been under the weather this past week.

Have you been to the Florence Hastings exhibit at the Bethel Historical Sociey? I got together with the Hastings and Bancroft "girls" (Florence's daughters and granddaughters) last week and went to see it. There is a great video of Florence talking about' her life, and it clearly tells her philosophy. Work hard and be frugal was her recipe for success. She added that "you do not have to be very smart to succeed as long as you do the other two things." Good

advice in this day and age. She was an amazing woman with a great sense of humor. Worth a stop by to listen to Florence and see her many crafts.

Lorraine Larson was a guest Saturday, Dec. 24, at a Christmas lunch and celebration at the home of Greg and Fran Adams in Sweden. Also attending were Greg's mother. Laura Hutchins; his sister, Lorene Mills and husband, Ralph Mills; his brother and wife, Terry and Rose Adams and son, Charlie; and Fran's mother, Eleanor Far-

As I write this we are all still waiting on that snow. It was only a few years ago that we had little or no snow until late January. From then' on it did not stop until well into April, Can't say we need a repeat of that but an eightinch storm every Thursday night for the next eight weeks would be just fine by me, And, it is preferable that it is powder snow.

The ice, on the other hand, is thickening. Round and Twitchell ponds are covered with ice of varying thicknesses and safety. South and North still have some open spots. There have been a couple people cautiously ice fishing on Round Pond.

There is the usual assortment of birds (and squirrels) at the feeders: white and redbreasted nuthatches, chickadees, brown creepers, blue jays, mourning doves, downy and hairy woodpeckers, and starlings. Had not seen starlings here in the winter until two years ago. Now there are a few who ground-feed daily. Would be interested to hear

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PAINTINGS AND ART INCLUDE. Sizes are all Overall include Frame. Large Oil On Carvas Landscape 24 by 34 Signed Ronald Hovey Jones, Oil Painting Coast Of Maine 25 1/2 by 21 1/2 Signed Ronald Hovey Jones, IDES OF MARCH By Andrew Wyeth Signed Iower right by Artist, 41 by 29, Rare Guy Shorey Photo White Birch Memorial Drive Shelburne Birches NH with labels 39 by 24 3/4 #1332, Small Oil on Board Signed Ronald Hovey Jones, Good Litho Signed Benton Thomas Hart 20 1/2 by 15 3/4, Litho Signed Benton Thomas Hart 20 by 15 1/4, Cartoon Original signed Shang 1917, Watercolor 26 1/2 by 17 1/4 signed S Miller, Original Litho Derelict signed Lower right Gordon Grant 19 3/4 by 16 3/4, Litho Gorham NH Train Station 21 by 17 Fran Greenwood, Nice Crayon Titled Street Incident In Paris By Andre Castaigne 18 1/2 by 22 1/2, 21 1/4 by 26 Painting Signed G. McCann, Pen and Ink 21 1/2 by 18 1/2 Signed G. McCann, Oil on Canvas Of Snow Falls Bridge West Paris Malne Signed On Back Rankin painting Hung for Many Years in Perhams Mine and Mineral Store. In West Paris Maine. Round Painting on Porcelain signed Firenze and Embossed, Small Oval Painting on Porcelain of Young Girl.

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er than just another year. We

have 12 years between us, so I

have had the honor of helping

and watching him grow into a

fine young man. But to accept

the fact that he'is considered

an adult is age busting for me

and something that is not easy

to swallow, I can only imag-

ine the strengths I'm going

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kids aging to an adult. Time

truly dissolves and with each

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We released our Christmas

tree of its duty, as it served us

well and will continue to be

useful, as we collected the nee-

dles and dried them and put

them into fir balsam pillows;

the little fragrant pillows

are a delight the whole year

through. I will keep the snow-

men decorations out for now

in hopes of a nice snowstorm

to sport my winter fun and

yourself to new heights...

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Here we are

in 2012. Happy

New Year to

all. The year

out delightful-

ly warm. This

noon

day) I actually was out in just

a t-shirt. That is a little too

warm for January. The freez-

ing rain this past weekend

was annoying but not unex-

pected for the end of Decem-

ber, but Sunday's warmth

and sun was an unexpected

but welcome surprise. Tasha

is reveling in it, too. She feels

the cold more and more but

basks in the sun and warmth.

We just hope she'll be with us

to enjoy the warmth of spring.

I must say all I saw of New

Year's Eve was about two

minutes around 10 p.m. The

rest I slept through. After a

busy day of work I guess I was

ready for a rest. We figure that

we were so busy Saturday be-

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### Greenwood City



Welcome to the new from right here in the small imporbut town Green-

What more to write about than the peculiar weather patterns we have been enduring. Just as we encounter record-breaking warmth and indulge ourselves in outdoor projects that normally are on hold till maybe the cold air strikes to remind us we are truly in Maine, and five minutes makes such a difference. Even though the warmth is nice I'm sure we are going to pay in one way or another, as I know nature is feeling the pain, for this weather pattern is usually set for the calendar date of March\April when cold nights bring warm days. We all know the trees are ready to be tapped and sapping begins even the bulbs in the ground are arising to then be bitten by old man frost. The birds were out singing their spring notes, dancing around the farm in the sky Sunday like it was spring, and they were all twitterpated this time of year. My son found a caterpillar crawling around outside as if it were indeed spring.

Let's take a glance at my life last week. We were a bit busy trying out our new gifts and making sure they all worked as supposed to. The kids had some gift money so they brainstormed all week trying to put an end to the hole that was burning right through their pockets due to the extra cash they received from Christmas. My oldest son is holding on to the money, the twins decided by working together they could buy a lap top that they would otherwise be still saving for

individually, and my daughter put her money toward re-You can send news to me at , modeling her room and building a mega closet to accommodate her hobby of collecting glamorous apparel. I'm the designer if you may and my talented husband is the carpenter that puts my imagination to life which is not by no means easy for he has two females dreaming big. The construction is underway and becoming a nice masterpiece. The youngest of my kids has decided to spend his money over time by buying something small every time he encounters a new store. My oldest son and I took advantage of the wonderful weather to remodel the goat stable; we took out the divider among the doelings and the buck so they would have more room and be exposed to the buck for mating

If you get a chance to catch a movie at the theaters, I must say the movie "We Bought a Zoo" is enjoyable, a real movie that is definitely a tearjerker but well worth taking the time to watch.

My brother treated the twins to a thrilling day of snowboarding on top of Sunday River on one of the warmest days we have encountered in January thus far. They had a great time with their uncle.

The boys have been out voyaging in the woods and finding me all kinds of Nature's treasures. Among my most favorite is the shelf mushroom; I dry them and turn them into a work of art by wood burning them. The shelf mushroom is also called a "conk," funny as it maybe, but when the shelf mushroom is finished it's a beautiful one-of-a-kind piece of art.

I'm proud to announce the new year brought a new life to the Savage family. Congratulations to Kat and Allen on the birth of their daughter. My sister and Keith now have two nieces to spoil!

For every year we all become yet one year older. I have come to adjust to that but this year to me is much different, as Jan. 3rd rolled around my only brother, my baby brother, turned 18 and that and cleaned up and got to enjoy the first day of 2012.

Happy Birthday on Jan. 4 to Robin Hart and my sister Cindy. I won't say how old they are. Suffice it to say that Cindy is my big sister.

Thursday, the 5th, and Thursday, Jan. 12, 19 and 26 ACA (Adult Children of Alcoholic and Dysfunctional Families) meets at 10 a.m. at the Waterford Library, This is a discussion group and all are welcome. In bad weather and anyone with questions, please call 739-9115.

Thursday evenings, starting Jan. 19, there will be community suppers at the Wilkins House on Plummer Hill Road in Waterford. These are potluck and begin at 6 p.m. Bring a dish to share. FMI please call

I will leave it at that for this week. Enjoy the weather, I know I will.

#### My thought for the week is: who you've been ain't who **Bryant Pond** you've gotta be, challenge



Ken and I had a busy day on Christmas, there were 13 of us for dinner and my sister and some of her family joined

us for supper and exchange of gifts. It was a great day.

The Whitman Memorial Library program is Thursday, Jan. 12, at 2 p.m. Dr. Fred Jordan will be presenting a somewhat whimsical look at forensic pathology over the years and will talk about Maine medical examiner system then and now, mass disaster planning and a few interesting studies including one f a Maine boy who moved West. Dr. Jordan worked for many years in Oklahoma, but he had a Bryant Pond connection. He was the god-son of Howard and Sylvia Judkins and fondly remembers spending many weeks with them. This will be an interesting afternoon. No charge.

Sunday services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15, morning worship at 10:30, evening services at 6. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is prayer meeting. A good crowd attended the candlelight service on Christmas Eve.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet on Thursday, Jan. 5, at the Town Conference Room. Meeting starts at 11:30, dinner is potluck, bring a dish to share and your own place setting. New members always welcome. Dues are due at this meeting. Judith Grover tent 17 DUVCW will meet on Monday, Jan. 8, at the home of Alice Hoyt for a regular meeting and installation of officers,

Franklin Grange 124 will meet Jan. 14 at the home of Alice Hoyt for a meeting at 10

a.m. with a potluck dinner. The Historical Society Museum is outstanding largely because of its exhibits: They range from fine art and furniture to hundreds of old photos. There is also a good research library and small gift shop. Meetings there are great because you' are surrounded by the many displays. In the meantime join them in March at the Town Complex. Joyce Howe brought Curator Larry Billings a typewriter her mother left him, Much thanks,

#### Western Mountains Senior College celebrates 10 years

As the Western Mountains Senior College proudly celebrates its 10th anniversary year, we'd like to let our fellow community members know a little bit about who we are and what we do. The following questions and responses will begin that exchange, and we will continue next week. We always invite your questions and suggestions. Feel free to contact either of the cochairs, Nancy Davis (nancydavis@megalink.net or 381-1110) or Marcia Foster-Austin (fosteraustin@hotmail.com or 824-3400). You may access our website by Googling "Western Mountains Senior College."

What is the Western Mountains Senior College?

The Western Mountains Senior College (WMSC) is a member organization whose mission is "To support lifelong learners in their quest for new knowledge and experience by providing a variety of programs and activities." It serves the greater Beth-

Who sponsors the college?

WMSC is part of the statewide network of 17 Senior Colleges, which is headquartered in Portland. Our local college is a vibrant group of seniors who manage the organization under the sponsorship of the SAD 44 Adult and Community Education program and continually create an interesting array of programs and presentations. Who can attend?

The college strives to be inclusive, serving primarily the over-50 population, but open to others as well. There are no admission requirements other than a thirst for new learning and a desire to share personal knowledge, experience, and ideas with others. Is there an age limit?

Regular membership is open to all persons 50 years or older, and Associate Membership is available for the 18-49-year-old

What does it cost for membership and courses? Current costs are \$25 annually for membership and \$20 each

for most courses (less for single or short-term events). There are also a number of offerings that are free, and we extend a generous, no-questions-asked sponsorship and scholarship opportunity for those who have difficulty paying fees. Do you have to live in a certain area to attend?

Our members hail from a wide geographic area; there are no restrictions. Not only that - if you're a member locally, you are automatically a member of the statewide network and are encouraged to take courses at any other of the statewide colleges. Watch next week for information about our programming and requirements. And see our ad in this paper; it includes a list of our winter classes and events.

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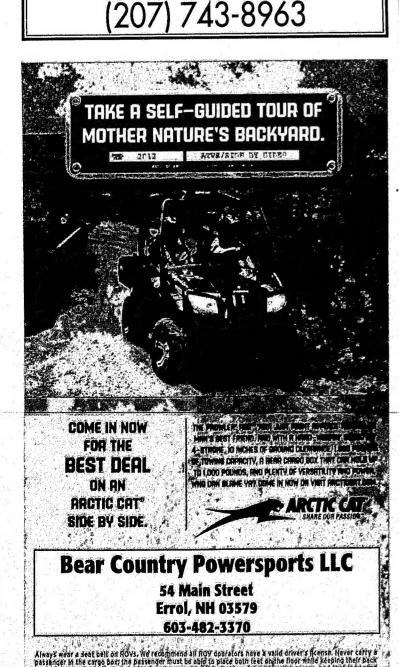
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STUDENTS OF THE MONTH-Telstar High School's November Students of the Month are Joey Blanchard, upperclassman, and Anna Tyrina, underclassman. The recognition is sponsored by the Bethel Rotary Club. The students were also honored at a recent Rotary meeting. The students are chosen by THS staff members for their community service and academic growth and achieve-(Photo: Carol Savage)



TMS COMMUNITY SERVICE-The Telstar Middle School Student Leadership Committee is shown here after their annual shopping trip to Wal-Mart to help provide Christmas presents for students of SAD 44. The committee raised \$1,600 to spend on presents this year. (Submitted photo)

#### School Lunch

Week of Jan. 9

**SAD44 Elementary Schools Lunches** 

Tuesday: Homemade macaroni and cheese, ham slice, or Sunbutter and jelly.

Wednesday: Pizza, Caesar salad, or Sunbutter and jelly. Thursday: Hot dog/roll, baked beans, or Sunbutter and jelly.

Friday: Breakfast sandwich, hash brown, or fish and cheese sandwich, or Sunbutter and

Fruit and veggie bar daily (4 servings of fruit and vegetables).

### **Telstar High School** 2011-2012 Ski Teams



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2011-1012 CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING Front: James Piccirillo, Casey Kellner, and Ben Lewis. Back: Matthew Keane, Adam Mahar, Liam Gallagher, Don No, Coach Gary Wight.



**TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2011-1012 ALPINE SKIING** Kneeling: Cody Boivin, Rachael Wheeler. Middle: Cecile Ellefsen, Alslinn Forbes, Gabi Stone, Greg Wheeler, Liam Gallagher, Back: Tyler James, Aaron Speakman back-Nick Johnson, Josh Head, Anthony Dirago, Anna Tyrinna, Coach John Eliot. (Photos courtesy LifeTouch)

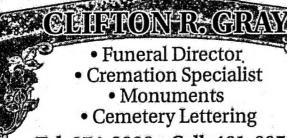
#### **Sports**

#### High School Boys' Varsity Basketball

Telstar 56, Wiscasset 52; Dec. 28- Telstar stats: Danny Whitney 21 points, Corey Howard 13 points, and Nick Mills 10 rebounds.

#### High School Girls' J.V. Basketball

Wiscasset 34, Telstar 23; Dec. 27-Telstar traveled to Wiscasset after a week since their last game. The team showed signs of great movement on the floor and frustrating defense. Alyssa Brands led the team with 9 points, 4 from Savanna Pelletier, 3 each for Annie Cushman and Maisey Griffin, and 2 for Katie Merrill and Jenny Wakefield. We will continue to work on free throws and consistent defense in the coming weeks.- Coach Mark Kenney



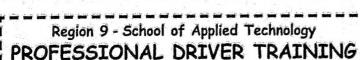
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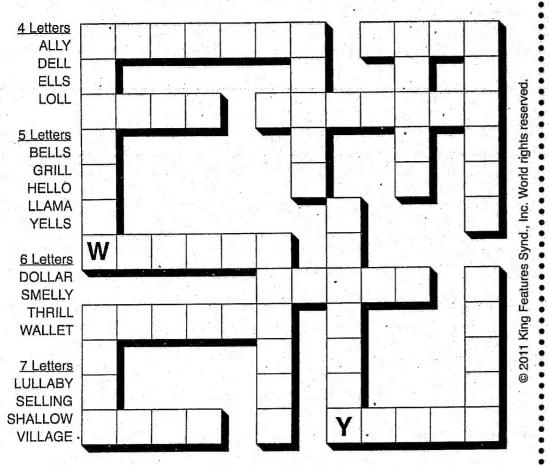
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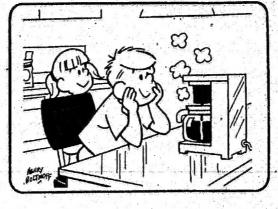
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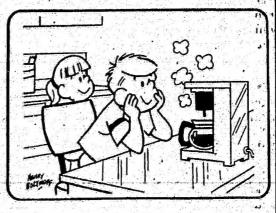
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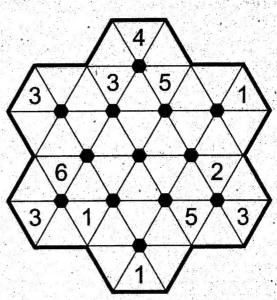
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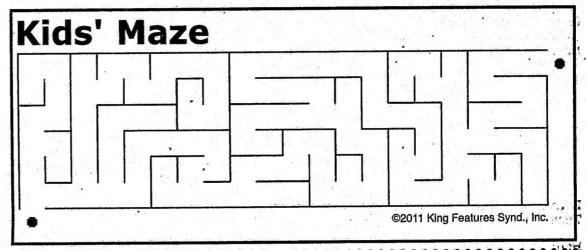
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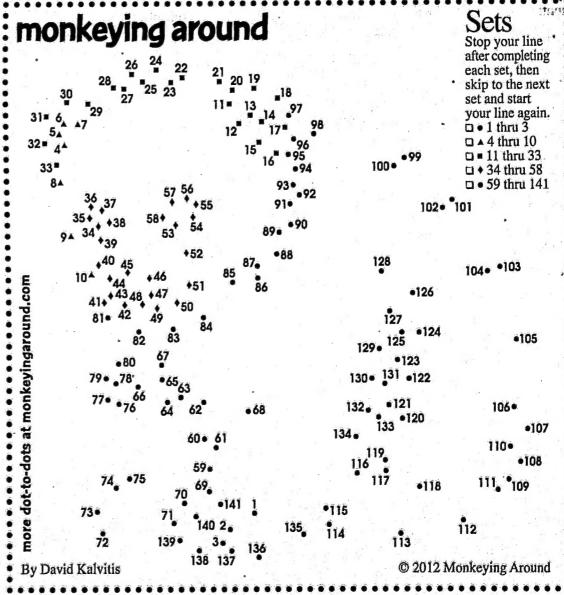


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## Community Calendar

Sundays thru March 4

2:30 to 4:30 p.m. - Public Skating at Hebron Academy Robinson Arena rink, Cost: \$3 Adults/\$2 age 12 and under, Parking available in Athletic Center lot off Route 119, FMI: 966-2100 or visit www.hebronacademy.org.

Thru Jan. 8

USSA Cross Country National Championships at Black Mountain of Maine, Rumford. FMI: Craig Zurhorst, Media Relations (357-9102) or e-mail craig.zurhorst@gmail.com or Carlie Casey, Chief of Competition (360-961-2099) or e-mail carlie@skibikehike.net

Thursday, Jan. 5

11:30 a.m. - Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens meeting/ potluck at Town Conference Room, Bring dish to share and your own place setting. Dues are due, New members always welcome.

7 p.m. - Golden Gates Russian Music and Dance Company, second in Gould Academy Performing Arts Series, presented by Mahoosuc Arts Council in Gould Academy's Bingham Auditorium, Church Street. Tickets: \$15 adults/\$10 for 65 and over/\$5 for 12 and under, available at door or call 824-3575. Same program presented Jan. 4 at Telstar Middle/High School, district home school/private school students. FMI: www. mahoosucarts.org

Thursday evenings Jan. 5 thru Jan. 26

6:30 to 8:45 p.m. - Preparing for Birth classes at Harper Conference Room, Ripley Medical Building (193 Main Street, Norway). Fee: \$35. Preregistration with payment required. FMI/register: 743-1562 Ext. 6951.

Friday, Jan. 6

1 to 6 p.m. - American Red Cross Blood Drive, South Ridge Base Lodge Mahoosuc room. FMI: (800) GIVE-LIFE. p.m. - Dances by Debi Irons and Company, Neveah and Joanna Patterson at Oxford Hills High School Auditorium. Advanced tickets at Books 'n Things, Main Street, Norway. Admission at door: \$11.

Saturday, Jan. 7

8:30 to 10 a.m. - Infant CPR class at Harper Conference Center, Ripley Building (193 Main Street, Norway). Learn CPR and choking rescue on infant up to 1 year. Fee: \$10. Preregistration with payment required FMI/register: call The Family Birthplace 743-1562 Ext. 6951.

9 a.m. - State Line Snowmobile Club meeting at Upton House. 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. - Fast and Female Event cross-country skiing athletes compete in National Championships. Event for girls ages 9 to 19 at Gould Academy Field House. Cost: \$7. FMI/ register: http://ffjan7bethel.eventbrite.com/, Parent seminar from 1 to 3 p.m. Parent seminar from 1 to 3 p.m.

5 to 6 p.m. - Public Turkey Supper, South Paris Legion Hall,

Church Street. Adults \$7. 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. - Jones Dance Band at South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. Tickets: \$5.

Sunday, Jan. 8

Judith Grover tent DUYCW meeting/installation of officers at Alice Hoyt's, Bryant Pond.

2 to 5 p.m. - Swingin' Bears Square Dance Club, South Paris, announced its January 2012 dance co-sponsored with Friendship Squares, Wilton, at Cushing School, Wilton. Admission: \$6 p/p. Non-dancers welcome to watch at no charge. Refreshments, door prizes and pot of gold drawing. Dance theme: Hawaiian Luau. FMI: Eleanor Herrick (782-4050) or visit www/squaredanceme. us/.

Monday, Jan. 9

5 to 7 p.m. - Black Diamond Family Entertainment presents Close Up and Strolling Magic with Markus Almodarr Steelgrave, Foggy Goggle, Sunday River. Free admission. Fireworks 7:30 p.m., viewed from Foggy Goggle deck, FMI; (800) 543-2SKI or visit www.sundayriver.com.

7 to 7:20 p.m. - Black Diamond Family Entertainment presents Fire Dancer Diane Kibbin in free outdoor show, South Ridge Base Lodge, Sunday River Ski Resort. Free admission. Fireworks following, FMI: (800) 543-2SKI or visit www. sundayriver,com,

7:30 p.m. Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center, 18 Bradley Street, Fryeburg Academy, presents Dave Pietro and the NYU Wayne Shorter Ensemble, Tickets; \$10 adults/\$5 seniors (65+) and students available online www.fryeburgacademy. org/pac or call 935-9232. Free parking.

Tuesday, Jan. 10

6:30 p.m. - Oxford County Republican Committee Social time/meeting at Norway Masonic Hall, Temple Street (one block off Main Street between Danforth Street and Cottage Street). Business portion of meeting begins 6:45. Light refreshments. Topics: events scheduled for first quarrter 2012 and Lincoln Day Dinner. FMI: Loretta Mikols 875-2229 or e-mail republican@ earthlink.net.

6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - Breastfeeting class at The Family Birthplace, Harper Conference Center, Ripley Medical Office Building (193 Main Street, Norway). \$10 per couple. Preregistration and payment required. FMI/register: 743-1562 Ext 6951.

Wednesday, Jan. 11

11 a.m. - Bethel Senior Citizens Club potluck dinner/ meeting at Bethel Methodist Church, Main Street. Members to bring dish to share, Dues (\$3) due at this meeting. New members always welcome.

5:30 p.m. - Mollyockett Chapter of Trout Unlimited member/ guest meeting, First Congregational Church, Market Square, South Paris. Meeting starts with fly tying instructional session (tools furnished or bring your own). At 7 p.m. guest speaker Rod McGarry presents "Fly Fishing: Tough and Tactical or Easy and Innovative." FMI: Dick Walthers (743-2193.

Thursday, Jan. 12

2 p.m. - Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond will have guest speaker Dr. Fred Jordan, Deputy Chief Medical Examiner and consultant forensic pathologist to Maine Office of Chief Medical Examiner in Augusta. Free and open to public. Refreshments.

7 p.m. - Black Diamond Family Entertainment presents Davey the Clown, Grand Summit Resort Hotel, Sunday River, Ski Resort, Cost: adults (13 over) \$6 advance/\$8 door, 12 and under \$4 advance, \$6 door, 5 and under free. FMI: (800) 543-2SKP or visit www.sundayriver.com.

Saturday, Jan. 14

10 a.m. - Mahoosuc Land Trust winter outing to Maggie's Nature Park, Greenwood. Bring your snowshoes. And kids under 10 Hike, FMI: 824-3806.

10 a.m. - Franklin Grange 124 meeting/potluck dinner at Alice Hoyt's, Bring dish to share.

7:30 to 9 p.m. - Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center? 18 Bradley Street, Fryeburg Academy, presents AudioBody, a "fusion of hilarious comedy and mind-blowing technology." Tickets: \$15 adults/\$10 children/students available online www.fryeburgacademy.org/pac or call 935-9232 or visit http:// audiobody.com, Free parking.

Saturdays, Jan. 14, 21, 28

7 to 10 p.m. - Jones Dance Band at South Paris Legion Hall, Church Streeet, Tickets: \$5,

Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 16 and 17

6:30 p.m. - Auditions for "Jake's Women" at Guy E. Rowe School, 219 Main Street, Norway. Perusal scripts at Norway and Paris public libraries. FMI: 890-7518 (Director Tom Littlefield) or producers Shelly Shibles (583-6562) or Kathy Davis (743-9066).

Saturday, Jan. 21

7 p.m. - Black Diamond Family Entertainment The Boston Bubble Guy at Grand Summit Resort Hotel, Sunday River Ski Resort. Tickets: adults (13 over) \$6 advance/\$8 door, 12 and under \$4 advance, \$6 door, 5 and under free. FMI: (800) 543-2SKI or visit www.sundayriver.com.

Sunday, Jan. 22

1 p.m. - Upton Historical Society, Upton House.

Thursdays starting Jan. 26

5:30 to 9 p.m. - Master Gardener Course, University of Maine Cooperative Extension, 9 Olson Road, South Paris. Focus on fruit and vegetable production, composting, season extension as well as botany, soil science and pest management. Class size limited. FMI/application: (800) 287-1482 or 743-6329 (office), e-mail barbara .murphy@ maine.edu.

Jan. 29 and March 25

Community Ski Days for SAD 44 residents, Sunday River Ski Resort. Ski and rent equipment free. Also, participate for free in Adult Learn to Ski/Ride Clinics (ages 15-plus). Preregistration required. 50 percent discount on food and beverages.

February 19 thru 24

Maine Military Adventure Camps for teens of military families at UMaine 4-H Camp and Learning Center, Bryant Pond. FMI: (207) 665-2068 04 e-mail extension.bryantpond@maine.edu.

### REGULAR MEETINGS AND EVENTS

#### Municipal

Bethel Selectmen: Second and fourth Mondays of the month, 7,p.m., Town Office.

Bethel Planning Board: Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Bethel Water District: Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office. Gilead Selectmen: Second Wednesdays of the month, 6 p.m.,

Town Office

Gilead Planning Board: First Thursdaysof the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Greenwood Selectmen: First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.

Hanover Selectmen: Third Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m. unless otherwise posted.

Hanover Planning Board: First Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Newry Selectmen: First and third Mondays of the month, 4 p.m., Town Office.

Newry Planning Board: First and third Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Woodstock Selectmen: First and third Tuesdays, 5 p.m., Town

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in the Snow Cap Inn conference room, next to the fitness room. Sunday

River, Seasonal, Thanksgiving through April 1. Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. 12 Step/

Traditions Meeting Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church,

Main Street. Open Discussion Meeting Fridays at 6 pm at Bethel United

People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to

Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families (ACOA or

ACA) meeting at Waterford Library (Route 37 across from the Com-

a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a

change. FMI: Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (calls confidential)

mons) Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m. All welcome. FMI call 739-9115.

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sex-

0750; Norway office 743-5086; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

tion, past or present victims of abuse.

Methodist Church, Main Street.

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter,

Woodstock Planning Board: First and third Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Town Office

SAD 44 School Board: Second and fourth Mondays of the month, 7 p.m., Telstar High School (occasionally meet at other schools; call 824-2185 for info).

#### **Organizations**

#### Bethel

First Sunday of month, 7 p.m.—Bethel Snow Twisters at 208 Walkers Mills Rd.

Third Sunday of each month, 9 a.m. - Breakfast open to the public at no charge at Bethel Church of the Nazarene.

Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.-Meditation and more with Mountain Heart Sangha, mindfulness community practicing awareness, understanding, acceptance, harmony and love in tradition of Zen Buddhist Teacher Thich Nhat Hanh at Café DiCocoa. FMI: Cynthia Handlen 671-1532 or Cynthia.handlen@ gmail.com. All welcome.

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.—Story Hours for children, Isabella's Sticky Buns Cafe (Main St.)

Wednesdays, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.— TOPS at Bethel Alliance Church (weigh-in 5:30-6).

Thursdays, 9 to 10 a.m.—Story Time for Children at Bethel Library (story plus craft) with Lisa Fox.

FMI: call 824-2520,

Second Thursday of the month, 10 a.m. to noon; fourth Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.—Cross Country Quilters of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at Moses Mason House Barn, corner of Broad and Mason streets, Bethel. All quilters welcome. FMI: e-mail Pat McCartney at p\_quilts@yahoo.com or call Kathy Thrall at 824-3111.

Thursdays, 1:30-3:30 p.m. — Knitting Group for all levels even those who want to learn, Isabella's Sticky Buns Cafe (Main St.) Saturdays, 11:30 a.m. - Guided One-Hour Walking Tour of Historic Bethel Hill. Meet at bell tower on north end of common. Free but donations accepted. FMI: 824-2908.

#### Woodstock

Second Saturday of month, 6 p.m.—Woodstock Historical Society meeting at the Museum.

Norway/Paris

Mondays, 6:30 p.m.—Hillsmen Barbershop Chorus rehearses at Catholic Church, Norway, New singers welcome. FMI: call Dr. Tere Porter 743-0656 evenings or Pat Fleck at 647-5005

Wednesdays, 7 to 9 p.m. The Yet To be Named Banjo Club practices Fare Share Market, 477 Main Street, Norway. Interested banjoists invited to join. Public welcome. FMI: call Alan Hamilton at 875-2680.

Fridays 9:15 a.m.—Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge, Norway. For more information, call Les Buzzell at 783-4153 or 754-9153; or e-mail: buzz116@myfairpoint.net.

### SUPPORT SERVICES

#### CANCER WELLNESS

Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Every Thursday, 1:30-3 p.m. Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 336-7287. Call to confirm during stormy weather.

#### **EXCHANGES/PANTRIES**

Clothing Exchange, Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4, Thursday 4 to 6, Saturday, 10 to 12 a.m. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours. No exceptions.

Food Pantry, Nazarene Church, Park Street, Bethel. By appointment only (824-0369).

#### HELP FOR THE HOMELESS

Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a transitional living program for youth 18-21, homeless youth outreach and case management services for adults and children. Emergency shelter includes the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and children in crisis, and our Rumford Family Center in Rumford for families. To make a referral or request help in the South Paris area, call 743-6363 or call 369-9439 for help in the Rumford area M-F 9 a.m. 5 p.m. For more information on Rumford Group Homes, Inc. call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

#### MENTAL ILLNESS

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a dropin social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to £ p.m.; Tuesday 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Wednesday 3-E p.m.; Friday 2-7 p.m.; Saturday 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness. same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8 a.m-4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

#### **VETERANS' SERVICES**

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, Veterans' Advocate visits first and third Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Rumford 9-12 noon second Thursday at VA Clinic at 431 Franklin St. (369-3272). Maine Veterans' Services is located at 29 Westminster St., Lewiston (783-5306). (No visits in July).

#### MULTIPLE SERVICES

Community Concepts provides Oxford County Head Start, childcare. free rides to Maine Care appointments, subsidized apartments (Bethel, Brownfield, Fryeburg, Norway, Rumford, South Paris), affordable home-ownership opportunities, homeless shelter and assistance with home heating or weatherlzing. FMI: call (800) 866-5588 or visit www. community-concepts.org.

#### LIBRARY HOURS

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel: 665-2505. Tuesday and Thursday, 1 to 5 p.m.

West Paris: Monday 1:30-6; Tel: 674-2004

**Gardner Roberts** Memorial Library. Hanover: Wednesday, 9-3; Thursday, 5-8; Saturday, 9-noon.

Calendar items may be brought to the Citizen office, e-mailed to news a bethelcitizen.com or faxed 824-2426 DEADLINE IS MONDAY AT NOON

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday 1-4:30 pm; Thursday 1-4:30 & 6-8 pm. Tel: 392-4841

Bethel Library: Monday 9-1; Tuesday 1-5; Wednesday 1-8; Thursday & Friday 1.5 Saturday, 9.1. Story Hour Thursdays, 9 to 10 a.m., October to May. Tel: 824-2520.

West Paris Library, Wednesday 1:30-7: Friday 1:30-6; Saturday 10-2. Patty Makley, Librarian.

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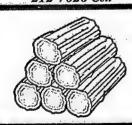
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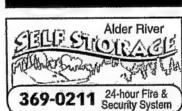
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#### Oxford Democrats meet

The Oxford County Democräts held a meeting on Dec. 11, 2011 from 12:30 to 3 p.m. at Crescent Park School in Bethel. The meeting was preceded by a candidates' meeting at 11:30 and a bountiful potluck lunch with over 50 attending. Candidates for US Senate

Rep. Jon Hinck of Portland and- former Secretary of State Matt Dunlap circulated throughout the lunch. The meeting was opened by Cathy Newell, with introduction of officeholders and candidates Assistant Democratic Leader, Rep. Terry Hayes. Those present were Rep. Sheryl Briggs, Rep. Helen Rankin, Dennise Whitley, candidate for Senate 13, Colin O'Neill, candidate for House 100, Charleen Chase, candidate for Commissioner south, plus incumbents not in a re-election year, Roy Gedat, County Treasurer, and Pat Shearman, Register of Deeds, Chair Cathy Newell gave regrets from those unable to attend including Jane Rich, candidate for Commissioner-north, Rep. Matt Peterson, Register of Probate Bruce Rood, and Sen.

John Patrick. Dênnise Whitley of Norway introduced the US Senate Candidates Dunlap and Hinck and conducted a program involving remarks by both candidates and some questions and

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answers, Congressman Mike Michaud, and manager Greg Olson, joined the meeting and the Congressman provided an update from Washington, and took questions.

The remainder of the meeting was devoted to county committee business.

Brenda McHugh of Mexico was elected to the State Committee and Colin O'Neill of Oxford was elected to the vacant Platform Committee slot. Plans for the 2012 municipal caucus meetings were announced. The caucus date is Feb. 26.

Regional caucus locations such as those traditionally held in Rumford and Bethel will be encouraged, and speakers and programs to generate attendance will be planned. Focus will be on State Convention and on securing signatures for candidates. There will be some regional meetings planned for January and February as well. The first such meeting will occur on Jan. 16 in the Oxford Hills area with details to be announced, with other meetings to be announced for the River Valley, Southern Oxford and Bethel areas. All will focus on caucus planning and assistance to candidates.

Emily Ecker of Bryant Pond announced an initiative, Western Maine Matters, regarding the national guard flight patterns and ongoing pressure on FAA. The final plan will come out soon and will have a 30day comment period. She will keep people informed.

#### **Sunday River Primetime Ski** Club active

Happy 2012 from Sunday River's Primetime Ski Club.

As of this writing, there are over 50 mostly groomed trails covered in white just waiting for carving. Primetime's membership reports that the skiing is actually great although the surrounding terrain, roads, trees, etc.' are pretty much snow free.

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For those who don't know, Primetime is a social group of skiers aged 50 and over who meet at North Peak Lodge at 10 a.m. each ski weekday. Members choose friends and form groups (6-8/group) based on terrain and friendships, etc., and head back out to the mountain.

For members, keep in mind the "Welcome Back Potluck" is next Thursday, Jan. 12, followed by a Matterhorn special sign-up buffet event, then a busy GO-50 week begins. About time we reconnect and let the fun begin. Details on the website.

For non-members, if you're interested in getting involved, either contact us through the website www.primetimeskiclub.com or just come see us some weekday at North Peak.

## **Church Services**

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#### ALBANY

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9am; Pastor Eddie Gammon, Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

#### ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome, FMI - 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church -Pastor Ken Wagstaff.; Morning worship 10:45 - noon. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Rt. 5, South Andover. 392-1121.

#### BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church -Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Pastor. Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Worship Service at 10 a.m.; Kidz Klub (4 yrs.-5th grade) and High School Youth Group (9th-12th grade) at 4:30-6:30 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) at 5 p.m. FMI: 824-2289.

Bethel Church of the Nazarene - Rev. Chuck Mason, 16 Church Street, Bethel. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. A.M Worship, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Bible Study and Prayer, 6 p.m. Third Sunday of each month at 9 a.m., breakfast open to the public at no charge. For information or if you need a ride or have a prayer request: 824-4028.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snows - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Rt. 26), The Rev. Philip Tracy. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Office 364-4556, announcements 824-

Episcopal House Church -Third Sunday of the month, 4 p.m. FMI: 824-3932.

West Parish Congregational - Church Street, Rev. Virginia Rickeman, Pastor. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School. Nursery and child care provided. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednes-

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day of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast in the Dining Room downstairs. Entrance in rear of church. Thursdays: 7 p.m. Choir Practice in the Sanctuary. New voices wel-

come. FMI: 824-2689; 824-0550. United Methodist - Main Street - Pastor Carol Stevens. Sunday worship 9 a.m. Bible Study 1:30 p.m. on Wednesdays at Sudbury Village, Apt. 15. FMI: 824-0797.

West Bethel Union - Rev. John Williams, Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School: FMI: 836-3533 or 836-

Pleasant Valley Bible Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m., Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. Midweek Bible study and prayer, Wednesday 6 p.m. Awana Club Fridays 3:30-5 p.m. (Cubbies ages 3/4: Sparks Grades K-2; children may take bus from school). Monthly Youth Group meetings and Grades 3- high school. FMI: 824-2037 or 836-3763.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Sunday: Bible class, 9 a,m; Worship Service 10 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m. FMI: 824-3577.

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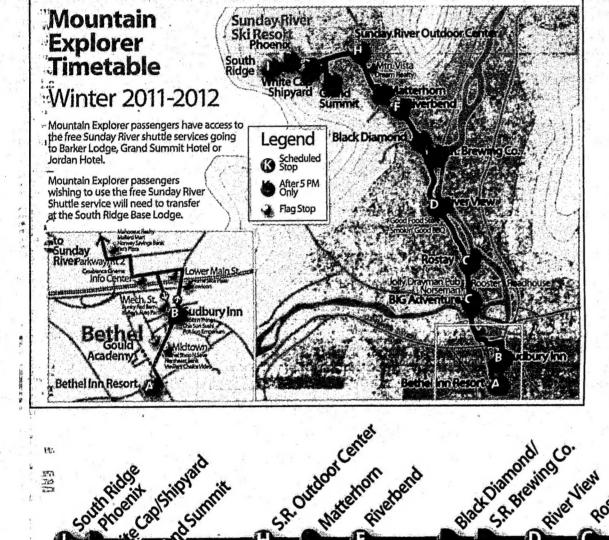
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#### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**

WHEREAS, on August 2, 2011, a Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale was entered by the District Court, District Eleven, Division of Northern Oxford, in an action entitled The Estate of Joseph F. Holman v. Hurchial E. Noyes and Daniel A. Noyes, et., al, under Docket No. RUM-RE-10-73, for the foreclosure of a mortgage loan due from the Hurchial E. Noyes and Daniel A. Noyes to the Estate of Joseph F. Holman, a copy of said Judgment being duly recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds, and,

WHEREAS, the statutory ninety (90) day redemption period has elapsed without redemption by the said Defendants, their successors or assigns;

NOW, THEREFORE, by order of and in execution of said Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale, notice is herby given that there will be sold at public sale at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, January 27, 2012, at the office of John S. Jenness, Jr., Esq., at 23 Market Square, South Paris, Maine, all and singular the premises described in said Judgment, to

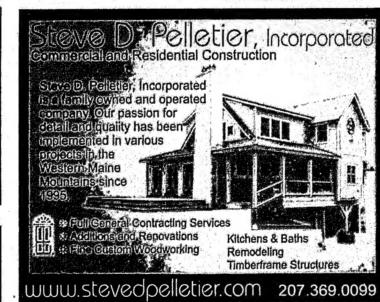
Cettain real estate located in the Town of Dixfield, in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, more particularly described as follows:

Being two certain lots or parcels of land situated northerly of Route 2, but not adjacent thereto, in said Town of Dixfield, as described in the Mortgage Deed given by the said Hurchial E. Noyes and Daniel A. Noyes to the said Estate of Joseph F. Holman dated August 24, 2004, which is recorded in the Oxford County registry of Deeds in Book 3575, Page 279, to which reference should be made for a more particular description.

TERMS OF SALE: Pursuant to Title 14 M.R.S.A. §6323, the public sale shall be held not less than thirty (30) days nor more than forty-five (45) days after the first date of publication of this Notice. The Mortgagee shall sell the premises to the highest bidder at the public sale and deliver a deed of such sale to the purchaser, which deed shall convey the premises free and clear of all interest of the parties-in-interest joined in the action. The Mortgagee or any other party-in-interest may bid at the public sale. All bids are to be supported by 10% deposit, except for banks. All deposits are to be made either in cash or by certified check at the time of bidding. Closing on the sale shall occur within thirty (30) days of the date of the sale. All other terms are to be announced at the sale or may be obtained by contacting the Mortgagee through the undersigned attorney for the Mortgagee.

DATED AT PARIS, MAINE, this 10th day of December, 2011

THE ESTATE OF JOSEPH F. HOLMAN John S. Jenness, Jr. Its Attorney 23 Market Square South Paris, Maine 04281 (207) 743-2096



NOTICE OF PUBLIC FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO 14 M.R.S.A. SECTION 6321 ET SEQ.

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT Use Period IV, Unit 233 at Jordan Grand at Sunday River, Newry, Maine

(Mortgage recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds, Book 3619, Page 46)

By virtue of and in execution of a Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale dated September 20, 2011 and entered on the docket in the Oxford County Superior Court on September 20, 2011 in an action captioned Northeast Bank v. HJH Corporation d/b/a The Trolley House, Thomas H. Hills and Judith L. Hills, et al, Docket No. RE-11-28 for the forelosure of a Mortgage and Security Agreement, dated November 2, 2004 and recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 3619, Page 46 (the "Mortgage"), said judgment having been entered and the statutory ninety (90) day redemption period having elapsed without redemption, notice is hereby given that there will be sold at a public sale of the premises described in the Mortgage located at Use Period IV, Unit 233 at Jordan Grand at Sunday River, Newry, Maine (the "Property").

TERMS OF SALE: The Property will be sold at auction beginning at 10:00 a.m. on January 31, 2012 at the offices of Lambert Coffin, 477 Congress Street, 14th Floor, Portland, Maine, All bidders will be required to deposit \$2,500.00 to bid, in cash or certified U.S. funds made payable to Northeast Bank in order to register to bid (the "Deposit"). The Deposit shall be increased to ten percent (10%) of the purchase price within five calendar days after the conclusion of the auction, but such increased amount shall not be less than \$2,500.00. The Property shall be sold to the highest bidder, who must leave the Deposit as a non-refundable down payment. The highest bidder, who must leave the Deposit as a non-refundable down payment. The highest bidder shall also be required to sign a Purchase and Sale Agreement calling for a closing within 45 days, at which time the balance of the bid price will be due immediately in available U.S. funds, and NEB, the foreclosing mortgagee, will deliver a duly executed Quitclalm Deed Without Covenant and Release Bill of Sale, if applicable, conveying the property. The Property shall be conveyed subject to all matters set forth in the Purchase and Sale Agreement and the additional terms of sale which will be available prior to the auction. Additional terms may also be announced at the time of the auction. NEB, the foreclosing mortgagee, and its assigns, reserve the right to bid without making the required deposit and, if NEB, or its assigns, is the high bidder, to pay for the Property, with a credit against the debt owed to it.

For more information on the above-described Property containing the legal description, legal and bidding details, as well as possible site visits, contact Northeast Bank, Prudential Tower, 800 Boylston Street, Suite 1500, Boston, MA 02199 or visit http://www.lambertcoffin.com/foreclosure\_sales.php.

NORTHEAST BANK Dated: December 20, 2011

By: /s/ Bruce B. Hochman Bruce B. Hochman, Esq., Its Attorney Lambert Coffin 477 Congress Street, 14th Floor Portland, ME 04101 (207) 874-4000

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#### MARIE M. KILPONEN

Marie M. Kilponen, 81, resident of South Paris, passed away Dec. 27, 2011 at Market Square Health Care Center, where she had resided for several months.

She was born Oct. 21, 1930, in Greenwood, the daughter of Chester A. Morey and Katherine (Gregg) Morey. Marie attended schools in Greenwood and West Paris and was very proud of getting her GED at age 62. She later worked at many different area factories, in the school cafeteria and at Ledgeview Nursing Home in the

She enjoyed knitting, reading, taking pictures and her house on the hill. She married Carl R. Kilponen of South Paris on Nov. 1, 1948. He passed away in 1988.

She is survived by one

her husband Bruce of South Pairs; three grandsons, David Varney and wife Bethany of Canyon Country, Calif., Allen Hanson and wife Tracy of Lewiston and Daniel Hanson and wife Magan of South Paris; six great-grandchildren; one sister, Joyce Ham of Hawthorne, Fla.; two brothers, Ivan Morey of Greenwood and Roland Morey of Norway; one sisterin-law, Marion Morey; and many extended nieces, nephews and cousins. She was predeceased by her

daughter, Laila Hanson and

parents; husband; two sisters, Katherine and Barbara: and two brothers, Lloyd and Donald.

Graveside services will be held in the spring at the Finnish Cemetery in West Paris time and date to be announced at a later date.

Brian and Katherine Stack of Bethel are pleased to announce the birth of a baby girl, Gwendolyn Crockett Stack, born Dec. 21, 2011 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, Maine, weighing 6 pounds, 10 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Joyce and Steve Crockett. Raymond, Maine. Paternal grandparents are

Jim and Kathy Stack, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Meagan and James Wright II of Bethel are pleased to announce the birth of a baby girl, Janessa Clara Wright, born at Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, on Dec. 21, 2011, weighing 8 pounds.

Maternal grandparent is Tina Bean, Fairbank, Ark. Paternal grandparents are

James and Melissa Wright, Randolph, Vt. Janessa joins a half-brother, James Wright III, 3 years, and

Tonato Wright, 17 months.

Kathleen Young and Allen Savage of Greenwood are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Alanah Lee Savage, born on Jan..1, 2012 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, weighing 7 pounds,

13 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Randy Young and Wendy Young of Buckfield.

Paternal grandparents are Keith Savage and Penny Savage of Greenwood.

Kristina R. Connell and Dj A. Drew, Jr. of South Paris are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Sophia Madison Drew, born Dec. 29, 2011 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, weighing 7 pounds, 9 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Rebecca Connell, Norway, and

Walter Connell, Harrison. Paternal grandparents are Kristina Drew of Windham and Gary Drew of Otisfield.

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#### Angevines named state's outstanding tree farmers Ernest and Alberta Angevine of Bethel have been chosen as the 2012 Maine State Outstanding Tree Farmers.

The award will be made at the Agricultural Trades Show and Small Woodland Owners Association of Maine (SWOAM) annual meeting on Jan. 11 at the Augusta Civic Center.

Now in their 90s, the Angevines have been stewards of their 189 acres, as well as active participants in the local SWOAM chapter, and overall SWOAM and Tree Farm supporters for many years.

Sherman Small, their forester says, "It is impressive to see what has been accomplished over the course of time by dill. gent forest management, I think Ernest and Alberta's work provides a good example of the fruits of long-term manage-

The award means a lot to Ernest and Alberta and their family. Ernest was especially pleased to call his daughter in New Mexico to give her the news, since she was the New Mexico Outstanding Tree Farmer in 2009. Other awards they can be proud of are: 2001, Lifetime Achievement Award from the Bethel Chamber of Commerce, 2004, Cooperator of the Year from the Oxford County Soil and Water Conservation District, and in 1990, 2003, and 2006, Oxford County Outstanding

Their history of ownership goes back to the days of WW II.

While Ernest was away for 20 months fighting in the war in Europe, Alberta was home with their two small children and took the opportunity to rent out Ernest's tractor. Upon his return, this money was used to purchase the original 75.

In 1965, with help from Oxford Paper Company's forester Abbot Ladd, they became part of the Maine Tree Farm System, Tree Farm #679. Over the years they acquired additional parcels to bring their total acreage to 189 acres.

With the original purchase of land, Ernest and Alberta knew that with good forest management over the years, they

would realize income to supplement their retirement. They also knew that along with managing for timber, other aspects of the woodlot would benefit wildlife, water quality and recreation. They are quick to thank the many foresters who assisted them, from private consultants to state and industry foresters. Their first management plan was written by Brian Milligan and their most recent update was written

by Small of New England Forestry Consultants. Small says, "Much of their land is considered to be excellent development land. Many acres of prime lots are located." along the Androscoggin River. They have been approached throughout the years to sell to developers but have chosen to keep their land in tree growth management. Both Ernest and Alberta have worked hard on their very impressive forest:

land, which includes 80 acres of some of the largest pine trees growing anywhere in the State of Maine." Much of the management work throughout the years has been done by Ernest. He started a pruning rotation in the 1950s

and to date over 3,000 stems have been pruned. Most of the logging was done by Ernest, until the late 1990s. Local loggers were hired a few times for the bigger jobs. There is a well-established trail system as well as wildlife-friendly practices, thanks to the assistance from the Oxford

County NRCS office and the Wildlife Incentives Program. The land has been open to the public for all types of recreation, fishing and hunting, and many people have viewed the Angevine's ongoing management program and benefited from it, even becoming Tree Farmers or SWOAM members

because of their example. Their daughter, Judy Coolidge, a retired second-grade teacher, developed an annual Environmental Day on the property for all second graders in the district that is still going strong 23 years later.

## Proposed names for veterans' monument

The Veterans' Monument Names Committee (VMNC) and the Bethel Citizen are currently publishing the names of Veterans from the Mexican-American War and The Spanish-American War who went in from the towns of Albany, Bethel, Grafton or

Based on the information the committee has acquired to date through the Maine Archives, the Mundt Allen Post #81 and other sources, the following veterans should be included on the Veteran's Honor Roll for the Town.

All names have been cross checked to their headstone for the correct spelling of the name.

The VMNC would like citizens to look at these names and let the committee know if there should be any additions or deletions, or information added to this list, and if so, the documentation that would back up this request. Other wars will be published in upcoming issues. Listed below are names and the cemetery of burial.

#### **BETHEL YOUTH** BASKETBALL

Bethel Youth Basketball for elementary school age children starts January 14th at Crescent Park School. The program will run every Saturday for eight weeks, with two weeks of practice followed by fou weeks of games, ending the season with a two week tournament, Signups will be on Saturday, January 14th at Crescent Park School. Cost is \$15.00 per child if Bethel resident or \$20.00 for non-residents. There are three different groups with these times. Please come when it's your child's time.

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Readers who have further information are asked to contact a member of the committee by Jan. 31. Mail or e-mail changes to: Jane Ryerson, P.O. Box 152, Bethel, Maine 04217 e-mail: carjar95@megalink.net or you can call me at 207-357-2772, or Ramona Grover, 183 Kings Highway, Mason Township, ME 04217, e-mail: rlgx2@megalink.net or call 207-836-2802.

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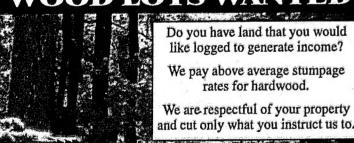
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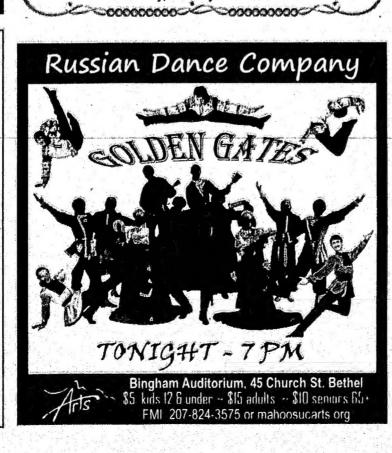
A late fee of \$15.00 per dog will be charged on February 1st, 2011

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